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OSCAR CRINO:

Richmond to meet Kogarah

Richmond High School (Vic) will meet Kogarah High School (NSW) for the Australian championship at Kevin Bartlett Reserve, Richmond, on November 23 at 1 pm.

The two schools won their respective State championships recently. Richmond's team includes Tobong Nhan Siong who has trained with Portuguese club Benfica.

The Richmond players also include:

ARTHUR HATZIOANNOU (Thomastown Amateurs): fast, skilful right winger, scored both goals in Richmond's victory over Murrumbidgee in the Victorian final.

RATKO BELIC (Footscray J.U.S.T.): versatile left-flank player, brother of J.U.S.T. star Vlatko Belic.

NICK GOURLIAS (Richmond Allemania): hard-working midfielder and regular scorer.



PETER DELENGOS (Richmond Allemania): tremendous pace, can play any position with equal effectiveness.

STANYO TATTO (Richmond Allemania): powerful centre forward, top goalscorer and excellent passer.

NICK ANTHONOPOULOS (Richmond Allemania): big, solid right back, scored two goals in Victorian semi-final.

JIM KATOGLU — reliable right back.

NGUYEN TUAN (Thanh long) — skilful right back or midfielder, perceptive passer.

DRAGAN SERDAR (Richmond Allemania): centre back, very strong in the air.

BILL HATZACOSTAS: goalkeeper, saved two penalties during season.

CHRIS HRONIS (Clifton Hill): left back or midfielder, youngest in the team. Highly skilled, strong in the tackle.

TCHONG NHAN SIONG (Richmond Jaguars): has trained with Benfica. Fast and has all the skills.

PICTURED: Richmond High School, Victorian schools champion, from left, standing: J. Brugman (coach), Arthur Hatzioannou, Ratko Belic, Nick Gourelis, Peter Delengos, Stanyo Tatto, Nick Anthonopoulos, Jim Katoglou. Front: Nguyen Tuan, Dragan Serdar, Bill Hatzacostas, Ila Anastasiou, Chris Hronis, Tchung Nhan Siong. Absent: Mike Bakopoulos.

Discovery of the year



RALE RASIC

Many of my fellow coaches said Oscar Crino would never make it as a top-line senior player when I signed him for Hellas from Hong Kong club Tung Sing.

It's quite fascinating therefore to hear them talk about Crino today in gushing superlatives.

To me, and to most other lovers of football, Oscar Crino has been the discovery of the season.

I say discovery not because he couldn't play previously — he was, after all, in the 1981 national youth team — but because this was his first season in senior, top-level league football, and he came through it with flying colors.

He's the type of footballer the public of today wants, for he has the ability and the skill to entertain.

Other young players also deserve credit — Suleiman Curovic of Footscray J.U.S.T., for example; Robbie Slater of St. George; Joe Mullen of Adelaide City; and Frank Farina of Canberra.

But Oscar Crino stands a mile above any other player in his age bracket.

I was most disappointed that he wasn't honored by selection to the national squad for the Meriton Cup in Singapore.

As for established senior players, I'd say the best of them this year were Zarko Odzakovic (Makedonia), Dez Marton (St. George), Phil O'Connor (Wollongong) and Joe Watson (Sydney Hakoah).

Of the four, I'd pick Odzakovic as player of the year. He carried the flag of skilful soccer more so than anyone else, and in Australian soccer, he is the most complete individual.

I also congratulate Peter Treddinick (APIA) who won the Presto Smallgoods player of the year award in Sydney.

Trying to pinpoint the coach of the year is more difficult.

All credit to Frank Anok for winning the championship, Eddie Thomson for coming so close to his fourth successive title with Hakoah, Peter Ollerton for maintaining his good work with Makedonia, and Ken Kaiser for lifting Newcastle up the ladder.

Ollerton missed out on the top four only on goal difference last season, and this year came within a whisker of winning the title.

At one stage, Makedonia was seven points clear at the top, yet in comparison with St. George, Ollerton trained less professional players, and he operated in a less professional climate.

I said in this column early in the season that St. George would be a danger because of its stability, its championship was well deserved.

South Melbourne Hellas proved its worth, and the players displayed their true capabilities — capabilities we all know they possess.

I wish for the supporters' sake that the club had taken the title.

The biggest problem that confronted the NSL in 1983 was a serious lack of crowd support.

Only the traditional Hellas v. Heidelberg derbies drew big crowds.

I hope things get better with the new league format in 1984.



Oscar Crino

Kiakos, Salvo, Mihailidis for Heidelberg

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

Con Kiakos, Marcelo Salvo and John Mihailidis are expected to wear the Heidelberg-Alexander colors next year.

Kiakos, winner of the 1983 Weinstein Medal as the best junior player in Victoria, will discuss terms with Heidelberg this week.

Salvo, who played for the national youth team this year, will return from the Institute of Sport in Canberra, and already has agreed to join Heidelberg.

Mihailidis played for Heidelberg before joining the Institute. His coach there, Jim Shoulder, describes Mihailidis as one of the finest young players he's worked with.

Kiakos, who turns 17 next January, is one of the hottest properties in Victorian soccer but it's unlikely that he'll be snapped up by Heidelberg's arch enemy, South Melbourne Hellas.

"I played in the Hellas juniors in 1980 and I didn't really enjoy myself there. I never got much attention and I found that I was more or less left on my own. The parents there seemed only interested in their own sons. There wasn't the same sort of family atmosphere I experienced at South Oakleigh," said Kiakos.

Kiakos has scored a staggering total of 456 goals in junior and senior league and Cup and State games. His tally in junior soccer alone is 112.

Born in Trikala in Greece, he came to Australia with his parents as a nine-year-old.

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Marcelo Salvo



Con Kiakos

He joined South Oakleigh's under-11's in 1978 and was taught most of his skills by Alex Bouzoulis.

"We always worked with a ball. There was none of this running lap after lap. I was a centre forward then but changed to midfield when I spent a year with Hellas."

Kiakos is well muscled in the legs for such a young player. While he praises Bouzoulis for concentrating on ball work, Kiakos is a fitness fanatic.

"He trains every weekday. After coming home from school and doing his homework, he has a kick around with some pals, then he'll go to a nearby park and work on his ball skills. A five-kilometre run rounds off his private session."



John Mihailidis

Dowie, Wade for Davo?

South Melbourne Hellas wants to spend the \$30,000 it hopes to get by selling Alan Davidson, on at least three new players — a striker, full back and midfielder.

So says club president Leo Anzakis.

Anzakis shares the opinion of coach Len Mackendry that Davidson is not welcome to return to Hellas (see page 3).

He said that even though Davidson's contract with Hellas extends until the end of 1984, Mackendry could "leave him on the bench."

Anzakis said Hellas may make bids for some good State League players, like John Dowie and Sean Keough of Doveton, or Paul Wade and Joe Sweeney of Croydon.

TARGET TANSEY

Forget the speculation that Jim Tansey will leave Heidelberg-Alexander. So says club president Sam Gouloupoulos.

"If I'm re-elected, Tansey will be re-appointed," Gouloupoulos said.

"And if he wants to play as well as coach, I won't stand in his way."

Asked whether there would be a few extra dollars in it for Tansey, Gouloupoulos said: "His contract is over. We'll have to negotiate a new one."

Gouloupoulos and the rest of the committee is delighted with Tansey's results since he took over as coach nine games ago.

During that time, he has won seven and drawn two.

His popularity hit its peak when Heidelberg beat Hellas

in front of a 15,000 crowd in the National Cup semi-final last Sunday.

Heidelberg will meet Sydney Olympic in the final at St. George Stadium on Sunday and Olympic Park on Sunday week.

Tansey said at first he would be leaving Heidelberg next year, but he's since changed his mind, saying he'll stay on as coach if he's offered the right terms.

John Gardiner, formerly of Croatia, previously was linked with the Heidelberg job.

Heidelberg will fly to Sydney, probably on Sunday morning, seeking its second

honor in NSL soccer. It won the NSL grand final against Sydney Hakoah in 1980.

And it's Heidelberg's fourth appearance in a final since Gouloupoulos became president. The club lost two Ampol Cup finals — to Hellas and Ajax, and last year's National Cup final to APIA.

LAURIE SCHWAB

Warren returns

Johnny Warren and Doug Collins will form a new partnership to boost Canberra Arrows on and off the field next season.

Collins, who left Marconi two weeks ago after Les Scheinflug was named Marconi's new coach for 1984, takes up the Canberra coaching position vacated by Attila Abonyi who switches to Sydney Croatia.

Warren, who was Canberra's first coach in the NSL in 1977, returns as promotions consultant.

It is his job to boost the club's image and draw more spectators through the gate.

He had a similar job with Sydney City Hakoah.

Abonyi's coached Croatia 1977-79. He succeeds Josip Kuzar.

Germany replaces Greece

Knox City hopes to revive the soccer interest of the fifties when it runs its "World Cup" at Egan Lee Reserve, Knoxfield, from 12 November to 3 December.

It will be similar to the Laidlaw World Cup played in front of crowds of 20,000 — plus from 1950 to 1960.

Players must have been born in the country they represent in the tournament.

Germany replaces Greece, which withdrew because most Greek players will be involved in the Greek Summer Cup.

The Australia team includes Charlie Yankos (Heidelberg), Steve Blair (Hellas), Mike Valentine (Heidelberg) and brothers Ian and Alan Roodhouse (Box Hill).

Peter Ollerton (Makedonia) is player-coach of the England team, Noel Mitten (Morwell Falcons) will play for Ireland and the Scotland team will feature Jimmy Rooney (Croydon), and Rob and Dave Nelson (North Dandenong.)

The draw is:
GROUP A: Germany, South Africa, Yugoslavia, Poland.

GROUP B: England, Scotland, Turkey, Hispania.

GROUP C: Ireland, Hungary, Argentina, Malta.

GROUP D: Chile, Australia, Holland, Italy. Scotland was the Laidlaw World Cup champion, winning it three times.

Now that the season is over, fans will have more time to watch home movies. We recommend these videos, available in VHS and Beta. Most are in English; interpreters can be arranged.



Sir Arthur George: beats a conspiracy.

Our movie guide for soccer fans



By ANDREW DETTRE



Tommy Docherty: waiting for his third coming.

THE HOUSE OF WAX. Horror. Juvenatus of Adelaide talks itself into changing their image into pure Oz-British, shedding their shameful Italian outlook and charisma; switch from pasta to pie, from gelato to jellybeans. When they wake up from their coma they discover that, with all the wax, their support has also melted away.

HOW TO MARRY A MILLIONAIRE. Light-hearted nonsense. Brisbane Lions are getting richer while their crowds are getting smaller; eventually they own most of Queensland including the National Party. To attract spectators they offer their players' hands in marriage to the first spectators who enter the gates.

THUNDERBOLT & LIGHTFOOT. Action. Starring Murray Barnes and Joe Watson getting into all sorts of ticklish situations, fighting back to back against lions, hawks, leopards, giants, rams and other species invented by Dr. Doolittle and later franchised by ASK Marketing.

ANY WHICH WAY YOU CAN. Comedy. Frank Arok pretends to be a tough taskmaster, assuming the role of a grand inquisitor, prodding and whipping his men towards his targets but deep down he is just a gentle soul whose only hobby is breeding new geranium species. In the end he suffers from apoplexy.

FOR A FEW DOLLARS MORE. Action. In fact, court action. Rale ("call me Zvonimir") Basic gives South Melbourne the \$64,000

question and threatens to deport the whole management to a Greek fishing village unless they answer correctly. Later he relents, accepts the ASF presidency and engages Sir Arthur as gear steward.

KISS TOMORROW GOODBYE. Drama. Well brought up, innocent suburban-country club saves and struggles for years to enter the big-time, dreaming of fame and glory. Then, within a year or so, they are caught up in the rat race, fall on hard times, sell all their assets and face the choice of the poorhouse or asylum for the insane. They accept both.

CHITTY CHITTY BANG BANG. Comic drama. Stars Sydney identity well known to himself giving amusing impersonations as publicist, journalist, manager, informer, leaker, intriguer and endless source of trivia, some of it true.

INVASION OF THE BODY SNATCHERS. Action. Sydney City commando troops land during the night at Tel Aviv airport, kidnap 2,000 transit passengers peacefully eating their matzo soup, bring them back and chain them to the benches of Athletic Field.

THE ENFORCER. Drama. Stars Tony Bookovic, carrying a six-shooter, bazooka, a dozen yellow and red cars, a raincoat against Olympic fans and a Serbo-Croatian dictionary explaining to one and all that his name ends in "itch" and not "ick".

TIME AFTER TIME. Romance. Tommy

Docherty arrives, joins Olympic, packs up and leaves never to return. On his second coming he joins Olympic, packs up and leaves never to return. On his third coming...

ALL THE PRESIDENT'S MEN. Thriller. Various ambitious characters plot and plan the overthrow of Sir Arthur. But the veteran knight discovers the conspiracy, rounds up the perpetrators, grins at them three times and they all confess whereupon he is re-elected by unanimous disclamation.

BATTLE OF THE BULGE. Les Scheinflug plays a Todenkopf captain squeezed into his tank for months, badly in need of exercise. When he discovers that he is rapidly gaining weight, he orders his troops to run ten laps around Liechtenstein and announces that the collective weight of the battalion is sharply down.

FIDDLER ON THE ROOF. Musical. On top of the grandstand, the Footscray-JUST treasurer counts the number of spectators and, without fail, arrives at the round figure of 1,000 giving rise to deep suspicion that after that quota they shut the gates. Or cannot count.

HANG THEM HIGH. Western. Out at Marconi Ranch sheriff Cool Doug Collins runs a clean town but isn't appreciated by the folks who frame him and at high noon, about 7pm, hang him from the goalpost then ride into the boogie pitches.

ASSAULT ON FORT KNOX. High action.

South Melbourne Hellas, having spent on new players and coaches all the fortunes of the Rotshilds, the Rockefeller, the Gattys and the Onassis mob, stage a raid on the gold reserves of Ford Knox in order to buy a new winger. Foot Scray and Heidi Berg are arrested as accomplices.

A VOYAGE AROUND MY FATHER. Travogue. Polished all-rounder Bertie Mariani leaves Marconi despite dad becoming club president, under pressure from coach Cool Doug Collins. Later Collins leaves Marconi under pressure from dad's colleagues and Bertie is set to return to club. Subtitles.

THE OLD MASTER. Ex-national coach Goodie Rottendorf seeks revenge over his 1981 voluntary resignation and has Australia surrounded by himself: drops in on Fiji, Samoa, Tonga and now Japan and tells them all how to become world beaters and hold the Kiwis to a draw.

TALL STORY. Horror. APJA Leichhardt officials tell one version to a judge, player Johann Scherman tells another and the judge believes Herr Johann who wins a \$27,000 first prize for getting closer to the truth while the secretary gets chided for his odd dabblings into real estate.

WHAT'S IN A NAME? Comedy. Editor Laurie Schwab fights lonely battle to save original club names from extinction, survives sustained panning from ASF, eventually wins his case when hierarchy relents and allows Hakooah to be called Juvenatus.

LAZZARI CUP JOINS THE COPPA ITALIA



West Adelaide coach Peter Koulios

Strife-torn season for West, and now Crook may leave!

The 1983 "Coppa Italia" will start on November 5 at the ground of Fawcner Azzurri, Smith Reserve, Jukes Road, Fawcner.

Some matches will be played under lights midweek for the first time.

Another novelty of this year's competition is the incorporation of the "Lazzari Cup" for the under 14 age group, organised with the support of the Juventus Old Boys and the Lazzari family to honour the memory of the late Lou Lazzari, masseur of the national team and Juventus.

The matches of the "Lazzari Cup" will be played as curtain raiser to the "Coppa Italia" and the program is:

GROUP A: Thomstown, Triestina Moonee Ponds, Nunawading United, Batman Lazio.

GROUP B: Bullen Veneto, Ascot St. Mark, East Carlton, Werribee.

GROUP C: East Brunswick Abruzzo, Westall Inter, Vermont, Carrum United.

GROUP D: Fawcner Azzurri, Juventus, Geelong United, Dallas City.

SEMI-FINALS: Winner Group C v winner Group B, winner Group D v winner Group A.

5 NOV: 2.00 pm Fawcner Azzurri v Dallas City, 3.30 pm East Brunswick v Westall Inter, 5.00 pm Werribee v Ascot St. Mark.

6 NOV: 1.30 pm Bullen Veneto v East Carlton, 3.00 pm Juventus v Geelong United, 4.30 pm Nunawading United v Thomstown.

9 NOV: 7.00 pm Batman Lazio v Tristina Moonee Ponds, 8.30 pm Carrum United, v Vermont.

12 NOV: 1.30 pm Westall Inter v Vermont, 3.00 pm Thomstown v Tristina Moonee Ponds, 4.30 pm East Carlton v Werribee.

13 NOV: 1.30 pm Bullen Veneto v Ascot St. Mark, 3.00 pm Geelong United v Fawcner Azzurri, 4.30 pm Juventus v Dallas City.

16 NOV: 7.00 pm Nunawading United v Batman Lazio, 8.30 pm East Brunswick v Carrum United.

19 NOV: 1.30 pm Westall Inter v Carrum United, 3.00 pm Thomstown v Batman Lazio, 4.30 pm Vermont v East Brunswick.

20 NOV: 1.30 pm Tristina M.P. v Nunawading United, 3.00 pm Fawcner Azzurri v Juventus, 4.30 pm Werribee v Bullen Veneto.

23 NOV: 7.00 pm Ascot St. Mar v East Carlton, 8.30 pm Dallas City v Geelong United.

27 NOV: 2.00 pm First Semi-final, 4.00 pm Second Semi-final.

11 DEC: 2.00 pm Final 3rd & 4th place, 4.00 pm Grand Final Coppa Italia.

LAZZARI CUP: Batman United, Bullen, Fawcner, Geelong United, Juventus, Regent, Thomstown, Vermont.

19 NOVEMBER - 10.00 am Regent v Batman, 11.30 am Thomstown v Juventus.

20 NOVEMBER - 10.00 am Geelong United v Fawcner, 11.30 am Vermont v Bullen.

27 NOVEMBER - 10.00 am First Semi-final, 11.30 am Second Semi-final.

11 DECEMBER - 11.00 am Final.

West Adelaide Hellas, which just managed to avoid the relegation zone for the third time in four years, will have to spend big over the summer if it is to survive in the restructured NSL.

It was painfully obvious in 1983 that West Adelaide could not hope to cope if it maintains the same squad and adds only one or two inexpensive signings.

And while West officials have been making some grandiose promises, at least in print, that they would pursue some big names — George Christopoulos and Phil O'Connor are two who have been mentioned — they have little hope of securing them.

The main problem is finance, and it would take some convincing to lure players to West Adelaide which was embroiled in controversy throughout the season.

First, Wally Bojczuk, who had joined West from Azzurri, had rejoined Azzurri after an unhappy few months, and then Stewart Blair, also from Azzurri, transferred to Adelaide City without playing a single NSL match with West.

He was transferred in an exchange deal with Chris Mabon, who subsequently spent most of the season in West's State League team while Blair starred with City.

Later the club suspended Paul Wormley and Mick Brennan who had clashed with some spectators.

And then it announced Wormley had been sacked. The Englishman was followed soon after by coach Alan Vest who met with the committee. Both parties decided a split was desirable, and so Vest was replaced by Peter Koulios.

With Vest gone, Brennan and Bill Amey, another Vest signing, also found themselves on the outer.

So what began as a promising season for West ended in disappointment.

West actually led the league for two weeks — rounds four



Meno Toutsidis

West had not lost for six weeks (only one win) and victory against Newcastle could have launched a bold bid for the top six.

The game began so well, Graham Heys opened the scoring against his former club after only a few minutes and West looked like they would bolt it.

But Newcastle, which had equalised in the first half, struck three more times in the second half to hand West a 4-1, home thrashing.

That was followed by a 0-3 defeat to APJA and West's season was over.

As for Vest, while he had critics, I always believed he did extremely well with the squad he had.

There is no doubt West fielded players he would have pre-

ferred to have benched, but because of the circumstances he had little option.

Vest coached West for 58 matches — more than double the number of any previous coach.

He remains, in my opinion, one of Australia's premier coaches.

West secured Gary Sproul from Croatia on loan when Martyn Crook was injured early in the season.

And when Crook recovered mid-season, Sproul was still preferred after a string of impressive displays.

But clearly, one of them has to go.

My tip is Crook, who still remains one of Australia's best goalkeepers, will move to another club.

But above all, the new coach will have to dig deep into the transfer market for quality.

One player seems certain to join West — Steve Papadopoulos. Polonia's brilliant young striker who has the skill, courage and goal instinct to boost West's strike power.

If he joins the club, he could form a deadly partnership with Graham Heys.

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Alan Davidson (left) challenges Gerardo Gomez of Sydney Hakoah. Coach McKendry doesn't want Davidson back.

'It's him or me,' he says.

McKendry slammed over

threat to 'Dave'

When South Melbourne Hellas coach Len McKendry declared last week that as long as he remained coach, Alan Davidson never again would play for the club, he triggered an angry reaction throughout Australia.

"Soccer Action" phone lines ran hot with callers wanting to comment on the controversy.

And all of them took the side of Alan Davidson! As "Soccer Action" explained, Davidson left last week for trials with Bayern Munich in West Germany, and Arsenal and perhaps West Ham in England.

When he renewed his contract with Hellas early this year, he made it clear in the contract, that he would be leaving for Europe immediately after the last league game of the season.



Len McKendry

himself, and he gave the club something like eight months' notice. You can't be any fairer than that. "If it had been one of my players, I would have asked him to stay, but if that were not possible, I'd say: Good luck to you, and you're welcome when you get back, because we can't afford to lose players of your calibre."

"I wish Alan all the best," John Payne, former player-coach of Altona City, the club from which Davidson switched to Hellas about five years ago, said.

"McKendry talks of loyalty and moral obligations in regards to Davidson, but in



John Payne

doing so, disregards his own situation.

"If Alan is showing disloyalty and if he is failing to meet his moral obligations in pursuing his ambitions, then how does McKendry justify his own action in leaving Green Gully during the season, in order to switch to Hellas?"

"In so doing, he no doubt was pursuing ambitions of his own. If he doesn't think that he himself was disloyal and on shaky moral ground in doing so, then how can he accuse Davidson?"

"I am Australian-born, just like Alan Davidson, and I am proud of his achievements. I have the highest regard for his character, and I want to say that what Australian soccer needs is more players like him — players good enough to make it overseas and thus boost Australia's reputation world-wide."

Cedo Cirkovic, coach of Fawkner, and former coach of Footscray J.U.S.T., said: "I am very disappointed in McKendry."



Cedo Cirkovic

"It is every young player's dream to play in Europe."

"Look at David Mitchell and Eddie Krncevic. They are big sensations in Europe — and Davidson can do the same. I wish him all the best of luck."

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"I spoke to many other coaches, and no-one can believe McKendry's statements in Europe — and Davidson can do the same. I wish him all the best of luck."

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KAT'S CORNER

with PETER KATHOLOS



I was really disappointed by the way South Melbourne Hellas and coach Len McKendry reacted when Alan Davidson left for trials with Bayern Munich, Arsenal and West Ham last week.

McKendry and others said Alan wasn't doing the right thing by Hellas, because he was leaving on the eve of the Cup semi-final against Heidelberg.

Well, McKendry and everyone else knew that Alan was leaving on the eve of the last round of the competition. He even said so on TV back in June, so in my view, it should not have been a surprise to Hellas when he left.

His tickets had been pre-booked months before, and his accommodation also had been organised in Munich, for his trial with one of the world's greatest clubs.

Now, all that could not be changed just because Hellas was in the Cup semi-final.

How can Len McKendry say that if Alan comes back, he doesn't want him at Hellas?

Alan has been with Hellas for five years. He's never done anything wrong by the club, he's been completely loyal and he's been their No. 1 player all this time, so I

Carter, Hogg vie for the vacancy

really can't understand McKendry's attitude.

Anyway, in my view, Alan will not be coming back, as he's determined to make it overseas, and for my money, he's good enough to do it.

But he'll certainly be missed in Australian soccer, and he'll leave a big gap in the national team.

With Davidson and David Mitchell both overseas, two vacancies have to be filled in the Socceroo side for the Merlion Cup tournament in Singapore in December.

Steve Hogg (Brisbane Lions) and Paul Carter (APIA) are vying for Davidson's right back position and Marshall Soper (Olympic) and Mark Jankovic (Marconi) are in line for Mitchell's spot up front.

It won't be an easy task defending the Merlion Cup. The players will have to be 100 per cent fit to withstand the sticky tropical conditions, and the competition will be tougher this year because Saudi Arabia and China have been included, and South Korea, as usual, will be a tough customer.

Despite the obstacles how-

ever, I'm sure we'll do Australia proud.

Bad luck, Makedonia

St. George Budapest took the NSL title in what must rate as the most spectacular finish to a competition anywhere.

I feel sorry for Makedonia which led for most of the season. Unfortunately, they came up against Sydney Olympic in the last round, and we just had to salvage some pride for ourselves after our disappointing year. The result: Makedonia lost the game 0-1, and the title as well.

Congratulations, St. George. They've been very consistent all season.

Sydney Hakoah was in the unfamiliar position of runner-up, and Doug Brown is \$1000 richer, as he picks up a cheque from Boral Bricks for having finished as the league's top scorer with 16.

Marshall Soper (Olympic) could have taken the \$1000 had he not missed three sitters against Makedonia.

Lowe hopes to stay with Southampton

by TED SIMMONS

National Youth team striker David Lowe will not return to Australian club soccer next season if he trials successfully next month with English First Division team Southampton.

Lowe left last week with Newcastle United for an American indoor tournament in San Diego and two exhibition matches in Alaska before continuing on to London.

"My one-year contract with Newcastle expires at the end of this season although they have an option to retain my services. But if I satisfy Southampton I would have to play out the rest of the English season which ends late April," he said.

"Ken Kaiser has asked me to think about staying with Newcastle next year but the club has not talked terms yet and if Southampton offers me a contract I will probably accept it."

"This would limit my time in Australia to guest appearances during the short English off-season but I will definitely be available to play in the National team if selected for the World Cup qualifying rounds," said Lowe.

Australian Soccer Federation executive director Brian

Emery confirmed that special steps were being taken to ensure that players who travel overseas will be available for National team recall.

"We have taken this action over the past couple of years since the talent drain began after the 1981 World Youth Championships and it currently applies to David Mitchell in Scotland and Eddie Krncevic in Yugoslavia," he said.

"Next year's contracts for National League will include a standard clause that if a player goes overseas he must be released for National team duty. This would not involve social games but would refer to World Cup and World Youth matches."

"This clause can also be enforced if a player wants to appear for Australia and the club refuses to give permission," added Emery.

David Lowe began his soccer career as a schoolboy at Jersey, in the Channel Islands and has been kicking a ball since he was able to walk.

His family came to Australia ten years ago. "I'm going to England because I want to make it in big-time soccer and establish myself in the English First Division. I want to keep improving and that's where I can learn about the game," he said.

"I need to learn to play against professional club footballers, the best markers, how to lose them and to get better in the air."

"Heading has never been a strong point in my game and I want to try to copy Kevin Keegan who also is not tall. But he gets into position brilliantly and gets up superbly for a man of his size."

Lowe said there was a marked difference between club training and the sessions he underwent when training with the National Youth team under coach Les Scheinflug.



David Lowe



Rale Rasic

McKendry asked Davidson to delay his trip. Davidson tried. He made phone calls to Germany, but as it turned out, it was too late to change his arrangements. Air fares and accommodation had been booked seven weeks previously. McKendry declared that while Davidson was "legally right" in relation to his contract conditions, he was "morally wrong" in leaving before the semi-final.

He said if the club took Da-



Jim Tansey

vidson back next year, then he, McKendry, would quit.

The strongest reaction came from Hellas's previous coach, Rale Rasic.

"McKendry is putting his head on the chopping block, because Davidson is the biggest asset Hellas has."

"If McKendry refuses to have Davidson back next year, then who will pay out Davidson's contract, which has another year to run?"

"A transfer fee of \$30,000 is stipulated in the contract. If he makes it overseas, then Hellas will get its \$30,000. But if Davidson comes back, I doubt any club in Australia can afford to buy him for such a sum."

"As McKendry doesn't want him, will Davidson sit around twiddling his thumbs and collecting his wages from Hellas nevertheless? Don't forget — he's under contract next year, so Hellas has to pay him."

"Davidson is the most professional footballer in Australia, and he made sure that his contract was spot-on."

"The committee agreed to his terms and conditions early this year — and they included Davidson going overseas after the last league match of the season."

"Davidson has done nothing wrong. It will be interesting to see which of the two — Davidson or McKendry — will be leaving the club next year."

Jim Tansey, player-coach of Heidelberg-Alexander, said: "Davidson's gone to better



Cedric Cirkovic

Hird Juve's best

Left back Harry Hird (pictured) was named Juventus player of the year at the Victoria State League club's presentations last week.

Hird joined Juventus from Altona City.

Juventus's best clubman trophy went to Billy Rogers.

Andrew Zinni was the most improved player, and also was joint top scorer, along with Fabio Incantolupo.

Juventus leaves for Bali on November 2 to compete in the Garuda Cup.



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IN FOCUS

Four-nation series gets top award

by PETER SCOTT

And now, what you have all been waiting for with bated breath: My year's-end awards.

Promotion of the year: The ASF's four-nation international tournament this month.

Musical Chairs Champion of the Year: Doug Collins.

Administrators of the Year: Sydney Olympic's committee.

Public Relations Coup of the Year: The NSL and its member clubs for regularly "forgetting" to invite media people to press conferences.

Image Problem of the Year: Sydney Hakoah's leadership, who tried everything to kill off a great team and then blamed the fans for taking their word for it.

Schizophrenia Award: To Manly Soccer Club in Sydney for its stout and principled opposition to the revamping of the NSL, followed immediately by equally determined attempts to gain membership of it.

Hot Air Award: To erstwhile Olympic coach Tommy Docherty, now thankfully departed from our midst, who was an abject failure on the field and managed to generate

more adverse publicity and derogatory comments about his fellow coaches and other teams in a few short months than everybody else put together in the past ten years.

Back to Earth Award: To the NSW judge in the Schermann vs APJA-Leichhardt case, who forcibly brought home the point that contracts are legally binding documents, even where they concern soccer players.

Chameleon Award: To South Melbourne, Hellas, dreadful one day, championship contenders the next.

Coma Award: To Victorian soccer clubs who are still chasing that elusive first title in the NSL with the best part of a decade gone.

Bandit of the Year Award: To the NSL Management Committee for hijacking the Player of the Year Award which was conceived, created and initiated by the Australian Soccer Press Association (ASPA).

Peace of the Year: ASPA, for allowing the NSL to get away with it.

Psychologist of the Year: Frank Arok, who managed to convince everybody about the weaknesses and shortcomings of St George Budapest, right up until the day when it won the NSL championship.

Guru of the Year: Eddie Thomson of Sydney city Hakoah, for making his players believe that their performance mattered, even as the Hakoah Club's directors were trying hard to put the team out of the soccer business.

Man of the Year: The Australian soccer fan, who keeps coming back year after year, in spite of everything.

Diplomacy lacking

Great famous for being a great diplomat, ASF president Sir Arthur George took the opportunity to display his lack of tact once again at the 'Sydney Daily' Mirror-Presto Small-goods 1993 Soccer Superstar presentation dinner the other night.

In his usual monologue on such occasions, which he presumably undertakes to motivate the "troops" and explain away the latest shortcomings in his administration, he painted a picture of growth, development and public recognition for soccer.

Quite inspiring, except that we have heard it so often before, without very much being achieved in the development areas targeted at regular intervals by Sir Arthur and the ASF's rather transient mob of expert consultants.

He did venture the comment that the time has arrived for many of the old faces in soccer's administration to fade from the scene — himself not included, of course, as he openly stated.

Then he pointed out with glowing pride that Lee Scheinflug is the first "non-political" appointment to the national coaching job.

Wonder what Rale Rasic and Jimmy Shoden, who were present at the function, and "Uncle Joe" Vlasits and Tiko Jelisavcic, who weren't would think about that.

Then, for good measure, the irrepressible tycoon explained that occasions such as the Presto dinner are excellent opportunities for those at the top, such as a President of the Soccer Federation, to communicate with those on the "ground floor".

Rats! Here I was thinking that I may have climbed up to the mezzanine, at least.

Rules and referees

Ruminating over the disgusting incident which put Diego Maradona out of football for months, I spent some time trying to work out what, if anything, can be done to put a stop to the careers of the "butchers" in our sport.

I might say here that the NSL is fortunately pretty clean in this respect.

However, it is a fact of Australian life that the latest "fashions" overseas, sooner or later reach our shores.

And players, past and present, are starting to speak up.

The legendary Pele bluntly stated on French TV recently that "the growth of brutality in soccer can only be reversed by some rule changes".

Hungary's Torocsik, after an injury which put him out for months, expressed his amazement that "another professional player would set out to deliberately cripple me, when he knows that this is my livelihood and I would want to continue for at least a few more years".

He went beyond that simple statement, though, by saying he can't understand how referees can allow such incidents to happen and go unpunished.

And this is the crux of the matter.

If the cancerous spread of deliberate attempts at maiming is not to take hold in Australia, our referees must, as a body, determine now that rough and unruly behaviour of a kind which could cause injury is to be punished immediately by the flash of a red card.

No finger wagging, no cautions and yellow cards. Early showers!

WHITEWASH!

Heidelberg maintains perfect Cup record against Hellas



Laurie Schwab

HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER
3 (Cole 35th & 53rd, Lea 39th) **SOUTH MELBOURNE**
HELLAS 2 (Yzendoorn 88th pen, & 39th), **National Cup** semi-final at Olympic Park. Crowd about 15,000 (triple header). Referee: Don Campbell (SA). Sent off: Wooddin (SM) 81st; cautions: McKie Spanos, Macleod (H), Brown (SM).

HEIDELBERG: Oliver 8 — McKie 7, Yankos 9, Macleod 9, Spanos 8 — Selemidis 7, Campbell 8, Valentine 9 — Cole 9, Lea 8, Patterson 7. Coach: Jim Tansey.

HELLAS: Laumets 7 — Russell 8, Blair 9, Yzendoorn 8, Halford 7 — Murphy 8, Crino 8, Wooddin 7 (sent off 81st) — Egan 6, Brown 8, Buljevic 7. Coach: Len McEnderby.

Heidelberg-Alexander maintained its Cup dominance over Hellas with exhilarating, energetic soccer and some powerhouse attacking play by Gary Cole, to storm into the National Cup final against Sydney Olympic.

Heidelberg has won every one of its five National Cup games against Hellas since the competition started in 1977.

It beat Hellas on penalties to break a scoreless deadlock after extra time last year, and won 2-1 in 1980, 1979 and 1978.

The two did not meet in 1977, when Hellas was knocked out by Mooroolbark, while Heidelberg reached the semi-finals where it lost 2-3 to Marconi.

Heidelberg got as far as the Cup final in 1980 and last year. It was a two-legged final in 1980, when Heidelberg drew 0-0 with Marconi but then lost 0-3 last year, it lost the final 1-2 to APJA after leading.

Last Sunday, Heidelberg looked set to run up an embarrassing score. It led 3-0 after 53 minutes and had missed at least two other goal chances, while Hellas had had only one real chance — missed by Charlie Egan after Doug Brown had done the lead-up work.

It was only a penalty and a semi-owned goal that gave Hellas a respectable scoreline. Both of its goals came in the last three minutes, when Hellas was down to 10 men.

Steve Wooddin, playing in midfield, was sent off in the 81st minutes for kicking Ian McKie.

Heidelberg displayed tremendous confidence and enthusiasm from the start.

Coach Jim Tansey — who left himself on the bench —

GREEN GULLY AJAX 2 (Kremers 88th, Ghira 108th) **THOMASTOWN 1** (Coco 7th) after extra time, score at full time 1-1. **Armstrong Cup** final at Olympic Park, first game of a triple bill.

GREEN GULLY AJAX: McKenna 6 — Maxwell 8, Kremers 6, Kurbasa 5, Grech 7, De Gabriello 6 (Bazzani 95th), Mancini 8, Kusman 6, Campbell 5 (Camilleri H.T. 7) — Lewis 6, Ghira 6.

THOMASTOWN: Di Masi 9 — Ciccone 7, Angnostov 7, Baldo 8, Crisp 7 — Tavoraro 6, Coco 6, Constantinou 5, Griffith (inj), Krajovski 20th, 6, Campobasso 98th) — Carfara 8, Alizzi 7.

Thomastown's Constantinou and Tavoraro have a lot to answer for. With just seven minutes separating the Second Division outfit from an upset win, they both had chances to set up central striker Alizzi for what surely would have led to Armstrong Cup glory for the Italian-backed club.

Thomastown opened the scoring in the 7th minute and was by far the better team in the first half. Ajax fought back as the minutes ticked away in the second half but Thomas-



The jubilant men of Heidelberg-Alexander, from left, top: Jim Campbell, Ian McKie, Derek Lea, Don Macleod, front: Jeff Oliver, Gary Cole, Charlie Yankos, Theo Selemidis, Jim Tansey front Spanos.

gave no thought to putting specialists markers on Egan and Berown, the way most other teams do when they face Hellas.

Instead, they were left to whatever defenders happened to be closest to them, and it worked fine.

In fact, centre backs Charlie Yankos and Don Macleod were quite inspirations. Macleod displayed awesome power in the air, and in fact, played a part in the third goal, scored by Cole after Macleod had headed the ball down.

The midfield was dominated by the No. 6 shirt worn by Mike Valentine, who figured in almost every Heidelberg move.

And up front, Gary Cole was back at his best, scoring twice and playing some delightful passes — notably a crossfield ball to Scott Patterson which was sweet to behold.

Steve Blair performed near miracles in Hellas's defence, and Bobby Russell also threw himself about fearlessly, but none could keep out Gary Cole who also laid on Derek Lea's goal.

Doug Brown battled valiantly up front but unfortunately, when Branko Buljevic laid on a perfect scoring chance with a deft square pass, Brown shot across goal.

Oscar Crino also deserves praise for his tireless midfield play. Brown and Crino looked the only players capable of achieving anything for Hellas.

And so Heidelberg remains undefeated in nine matches under coach Jim Tansey. Make that 11 matches, for Heidelberg is almost certain to win both legs of the final, at St George Stadium on Sunday, and Melbourne the following Sunday.



Ron Kremers of Ajax, with the Armstrong Cup

town goalkeeper Di Basi was impassable. In the 83rd minute, Thomastown should have wrapped up the match.

Constantinou broke down the left. He raced into the Ajax area with Alizzi near the penalty spot and completely unmarked but Constantinou opted to shoot from the angle and Ajax goalkeeper McKenna tipped over.

Two minutes later Tavoraro got space on the right of the Ajax area. Again Alizzi was near the penalty spot. Again he was unmarked. Again Thomastown suffered due to selfish play. Tavoraro shot wide.

But it would be unfair to give all the credit to Tansey as he has been coaching Heidelberg in partnership with Cole — and what a partnership it's been.

The team has been getting stronger week by week while Hellas slipped, drawing with APJA and Brisbane Lions and finally losing to Heidelberg.

Tansey probably is right when he jokes that had the league gone a little longer, Heidelberg would have won it by Christmas.

Heidelberg started Sunday's match full of verve and energy, but it took 21 minutes to bring the first save from Peter Laumets — a powerful volley by Jim Campbell, which the goalkeeper punched away twice.

Cole blasted a high shot over Laumets into the net for the first goal, after a throw-in by Valentine.

In the 38th minute, a bouncing header by Blair after a corner from Brown, bounced off the crossbar, and three minutes later Heidelberg scored again, to the delight of its fans.

Campbell got the ball to Cole, he headed it on to Lea and Lea headed it past Laumets who was standing right in front of him, against the post.

With half time only seconds away, Hellas launched a promising assault on goal, starting, with a short corner by Brown. The Heidelberg defence was in.

Heidelberg supporter Margaret Maunton broke out in poetry over her team's victory.

She wrote:
This player-coach is quite a chappie
And now father Sam is really happy.
We can at last enjoy our Monday.

disarray as Egan moved in for the kill, but Oliver got down for a desperate save.

Eight minutes into the second half, and Heidelberg led 3-0.

Yankos sent a long free kick to Macleod, he headed it down and Cole first-timed a volley into the far top corner.

Wooddin was sent off with nine minutes to go, as Hellas stormed forward, taking advantage of the space conceded by Heidelberg, which was content now to rest on its laurels.

Crino and Brown probed and probed, and Brown it was who won that penalty over what referee Campbell ruled was a push by Macleod. Yzendoorn converted the penalty with a minute to go it was Yzendoorn again who shot on a pass from Buljevic.

It was a powerful shot, which had Oliver beaten. McKie, trying to clear, connected with it on the line and managed only to turn it in — but although it could be termed an own goal, it would have gone in anyway, so let's credit it to Yzendoorn.

Tansey was pleased with the performance.

"The penalty was a very dubious decision but in all, we proved ourselves as good a side as Hellas despite our team having cost a lot less," he said.

Club president Sam Gouloupoulos said: "Hellas didn't create a clear-cut chance, and scored only gift goals."

Because the Bergers won on Sunday.
All we hope is that you win the Cup.
Then we will really live it up.
The average age is not too old.
Here's to the boys in black and gold.

KIAKOS FOR HEIDELBERG

From page one

Kiakos made his first-team debut with South Oakleigh, after returning from Hellas for the 1981 season, as a 14-year-old. The match was against Brighton in the Greek Summer Cup. Since then he has developed rapidly and now is a first-team regular.

Oakleigh has won promotion during its only two years in the Metropolitan Leagues. On both occasions, it has finished second to Greek rival Caulfield City.

"The rivalry between Oakleigh and Caulfield is even bigger than between Hellas and Alexander. There's really big money flying around whenever we play Caulfield," said Kiakos.

"Oakleigh has been a strong club for many years now. When we were playing in the Provisional Leagues people

didn't take much notice of us but they're taking notice now."

Kiakos reckons his best position is as an attacking midfielder. That's the position in which he aims to realise his ambition of playing for Victoria and Australia at senior level.

He's been training with Heidelberg for the past few weeks and he's happy with the treatment he's received so far.

"Heidelberg is looking after me. Whether I sign with them or not will be decided by the terms they are prepared to offer. We'll probably talk this week and I just hope that everything works out."

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Koussas inspires Olympic

SYDNEY OLYMPIC 2 (Koussas 15th, Patikas 21st) MARCONI 1 (McCulloch 40th), National Cup semi-final at St George Stadium. Crowd: about 3,500. Referee: J. Reeves (Newc) 6.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier 9, Phillips 6, Coady 8, Dakos 8, Herbert 6, Jennings 7, Koussas 8, Patikas 8, Katholos 6, Soper 6, Patikas 5 (Kallantzis 8th). Coach: Manfred Schaefer.

MARCONI: James 7, Djordjevic 8, Bozanic 7, Henderson 8, Calderon 7, Carbone 5 (Winn 62nd, Sermani 7, McCulloch 7, Brown 6, Jankovics 6, Licata 5). Coach: Tony Henderson.

Sydney Olympic squeezed into the National Cup final with a scrappy win over luckless Marconi at St George stadium on Sunday.

Olympic led 2-0 after just 20 minutes and decided to sit back and defend, trying to hit Marconi on the break.

Indeed, when Mark Koussas who had a fine match — and Jim Patikas sent Olympic fans wild with delight with two

Micevski best

Former Soccer Mike Micevski was named Altona Gate's Player of the Year at a packed presentation night in Newport (Vic) last Saturday.

Altona Gate, backed by the Macedonian community, is a leading candidate for one of the four vacancies caused in the Victorian State League by the enlargement of the NSL. Other candidates include St. Albans Dinamo, Thomastown Sheppards, Broadmeadows and relegated Ringwood Wilhelmia.

Micevski won Altona Gate's top award, from runner-up Stefan Trajkovski, and third-placed Fred Beller.

He played six games for Australia — against Legia Warsaw (twice), Glasgow Rangers (twice), Manchester United and China, in 1975.

Micevski started with the Altona City juniors. He then played State League soccer for Hakoah, switched to Marconi, and then to Heidelberg-Alexander, but his career was interrupted by a troubling foot injury.

He also trialled with Bielefeld in West Germany.

— LAURIE SCHWAB

By ALEX VESIC

Then came the best chance of the match for Marconi. McCulloch ran onto a Brown through ball and only was confronted by Meier but McCulloch miskicked, allowing Olympic to go in at the break with a 2-1 lead.

The second half was an even affair. Marconi tried hard to take the game into extra time but despite positive build-ups and good opportunities, the scoreline remained unchanged.

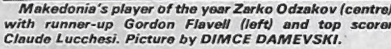
Patikas, Marshall, Soper and Patikas had the best chances for Olympic while Tom Sermani, Brown and Jankovics had chances for Marconi. Marconi's last chance, with just four minutes left, fell to Jankovics after a Licata corner was headed back into the Olympic goalmouth but Jankovics headed firmly but straight Meier.

So, the season is over for Marconi, and what a fine season it's been for Sermani, Henderson and lately Djovan Djordjevic, who has revelled since being switched back to full back. While McCulloch showed great fight and creativity against Olympic, the Marconi front runners were a bitter disappointment to the Italian fans.

Olympic must thank Meier for this fine win. His save to deny Brown in the 73rd minute ranks as one of the saves of the season.

Tony Dakos and Mike Coady showed great strength at the back while Koussas had a fine match, opening the scoring and laying on the second goal for Patikas.

Olympic fans however, are a strange lot. They kept turning toward the press box in imploring fashion each time referee Reeves from Newcastle made baffling decisions. God knows what powers these fans have suddenly invested in a group of humble soccer writers.



Macedonia's player of the year Zarko Odzakov (centre) with runner-up Gordon Flavell (left) and top scorer Claude Lucchesi. Picture by DIMCE DAMEVSKI.

Odzakov tops

Preston mayor David Sheldon announced plans for improvements to Connor Reserve at Macedonia's presentation night last Friday.

Zarko Odzakov was named Macedonia's player of the year, and Gordon Flavell the most consistent player.

Cr. Sheldon said Macedonia would be given a 20-year lease of Connor Reserve.

But he said if the club wanted a grandstand then the club itself would have to finance it — perhaps by selling its present social club premises and incorporating the social club in the new grandstand.

Meanwhile, though, the council will provide concrete terracing, covered on the western side of the ground.

Voting in Macedonia's player award:

24. Odzakov, 22. Flavell, 19. Opatovic, 16. Petrovski, 14. Jonas, 12. McMillan (Hiscox), 11. Campbell, Lucchesi, Ward, 10. Ollerton, 9. Todorovski, 8. Wilson, 1. Livingstone.

NSL clubs get vote, Metro has new name

By LES SHORROCK

The structure and administration of the Victorian Soccer Federation is set for sweeping changes in the 1985 season, as a result of last Thursday night's annual general meeting.

In what VSF secretary George Wallace said was a "remarkable show of unanimity," the club delegates voted to give the Victorian NSL clubs voting rights equivalent to half the combined total votes of the Metropolitan League clubs.

The National League clubs also gained two seats on the VSF board of management at the State League clubs' expense, making the new structure of the board: two NSL delegates, four State League, two Metropolitan, one independent, and a chairman.

The Metropolitan League moved to have its representation on the board increased to three members, but the motion, put forward by Nunawading City, Waverley City, Mooroolbark and St. Albans, was defeated.

However, the Metropolitan League succeeded in getting its name changed to the Victorian League for 1985.

Under the VSF's constitution, resolutions passed at the AGM come into force after the following year's AGM, meaning that the board for next year will be the same as for this year, but probably the National League clubs will be allowed two observers at board meetings.

The VSF now awaits the decision of the NSL screening committee, to be announced on November 5, as to the four clubs selected to play in the Southern Division.

When they are known, the VSF's own selection committee will set about promoting four other clubs to the State League, and there will be a general reshuffle right through the eight divisions of the Metro and Provisional Leagues.

One other club will also have to be promoted to the Metro First Division to replace Frankston City, which was expelled from the Federation at the start of this season.

WOLVES TO CUT PAY BY HALF

Wollongong's players have been told their wages next year will be cut by 50 percent — and they don't like it at all!

The Wolves board has informed its 14 contracted players to leave the club in the off season in search of better conditions.

Club secretary John Vlietstra said the club understood the players' position but the 50 percent cut was inevitable.

The Wolves expect several players to leave the club in the off season in search of better conditions.

"Unfortunately our position does not allow us to spend as much money on payments," Vlietstra said.



Roy Cotton

"And we have given our players permission to speak with other clubs which may be ready to offer them more money."

The Wolves still owe their players an undisclosed amount in outstanding wages.

The players have been told they will get the money as soon as it is available.

With this situation prevailing, Wollongong will find it hard to hang on to its two "golden" strikers, Phil O'Connor and Roy Cotton, even though no official approach has been made for them by any club so far.

Cotton, joint club top-scorer with O'Connor with 12 goals, has declared he cannot see any future with the club for which he has played the past two seasons.

"There's no way I'm going to play for the Wolves under those conditions," Cotton said.

"I'm a professional player and I will not accept a 50 percent cut," — PHILIP MICALLEF

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Poor Box Hill outclassed as Croatia takes Cup

MELBOURNE CROATIA 4 (Parton 9th, 57th, Cumming 26th, Latif (66th) BOX HILL 0. Dockerty Cup final at Olympic Park, Sunday. Third game of a triple bill. Crowd: about 6,000.

MELBOURNE CROATIA: Blasby 7 — Curcio 7, Adams 8, Parton 8, Hannah 8, Biskic 7 (Deankovic 70th), Antolovic 7, Faulkner 7, Gojevic 7 — Cumming 7 (Latif 65th), Brogan 7. Coach: Tommy Cumming.

BOX HILL: McKinley 5 — I. Roodhouse 6, Brownlie 5, Lawler 6, A. Roodhouse 7, Ramos 5 (Ing, Azopardi 70th), Miranda 6, Hughes 5, McDonald 7 — Verecchia 5, Priestley 6. Coach: Bill Murray.

Melbourne Croatia outplayed and outclassed Box Hill and barely broke sweat as it cantered to a comfortable 4-0 win in the Dockerty Cup final.

Box Hill was woeful. It was well out of its depth and wasn't even able to extend Croatia which became lazy as the second half dragged on. Questions have to be raised about the commitment of some Box Hill players.

Not so Alan Roodhouse and wee Matt McDonald. They battled their hearts out right to the final whistle.

But what about the carefree fashion in which the Hillmen went about their marking duties? I'm not used to seeing big

centre halves in Cup finals stroll into the opposition area then finding themselves unmarked with either simple headers or shots to effect. I'm sure Croatia's Sean Parton must have thought all his birthdays had come at once.

Big Parton scored twice, both from headers, and should have notched his hat-trick with ease but he missed a simple clearance shot early in the match.

And it was early in the match that Box Hill threw away any slim hope it had.

You've got to hold Croatia for the first half hour and hope that a few breaks go your way. You don't give Croatia players acres of space inside your own penalty area. Plainly, Box Hill has to learn these lessons.

Croatia had to settle for just one goal in the first 15 minutes. It should have scored three.

A long throw-in by George Hannah on the left in the 9th minute was headed on at the near post by Steve Gojevic and Parton headed in at the far post. Box Hill's marking was a disgrace.

Three minutes later Tommy Cumming hooked the ball back high from the right of the area to Gojevic. Now, the teenage Croatia winger was six metres out, plumb in front, with no defender in sight. Fortunately for the Hillmen, Gojevic's first time volley was mistimed and mistimed.

In the 14th minute it was Parton's turn once more. By now Box Hill's marking was reaching comic proportions but yet again it was let off the hook. Parton was six metres out, right in front, but shot a la

Alan Roodhouse was marking Cumming and Donald Brownlie was marking David Brogan. Croatia didn't bother going for man marking. It probably regards that tactic as somewhat belittling right now in light of its recent efforts. Let them worry about us, is Croatia's present philosophy.

Croatia went 2-0 ahead in the 26th minute and Box Hill was finished.

A long ball was headed against a defender by Brogan who reacted quickly to stroke the rebound into Cumming's path. Cumming's low, first time shot from 12 metres easily beat John McKinlay.

A word about McKinlay. I've seen him have better games. I hardly remember him making contact with any high ball which drew him off his line.

But 12 minutes into this half, Parton scored a simple goal to make it 3-0. Josp Biskic's corner to the near post was headed on by Brogan and Parton, almost standing on the goal line near the far post and completely unmarked, headed in.

Paul Priestley sent Ian Roodhouse down the right in the 63rd minute but Blasby did well to intercept Roodhouse's cut back which was heading for Peter Verecchia.

Ossie Latif replaced Cumming in the 65th minute. A minute later Latif had his first touch and scored.

A superb interpassing move on the right involving Keith Adams, Biskic and Jozo Antolovic ended with Adams crossing. Gojevic headed on and Brogan's attempt to score from the far post was well blocked by McKinlay but the fall fell to Latif who poked it in from four metres.

— CRAIG MACKENZIE

Cannibalism rife among coaches

We do have some problems in soccer. Many of them are self-inflicted.

One is the apparent total lack of ethics among the so-called coaching fraternity.

Like vultures gliding over likely victims in the jungle, some coaches begin their positioning for the new season around this time of the year.

They often are seen at the matches of teams struggling, neatly dressed, alert and with that available look on their faces greeting, solicitously, various officials as if to say:

"I am around, I'm keen, make me an offer — I can turn this mob into a Bayern Munich in three months."

Even worse are those who brashly contact clubs offering their services for next season — to clubs who still have a coach.

Doug Collins, Marconi's supreme, is bitter about the scramble that was going on, behind his back, for his post.

"I know of at least three coaches who applied for my job — and I was still the Marconi coach. One of the applicants coaches another Sydney NSL Club, yet he had the cheek to offer himself."

"And they did this when they knew that Marconi was still in the Cup and we had to concentrate on football."

"I would never apply for a position when a man is still in charge. But here, in Australia, anything goes."

Rale Rasic is equally chaste off with the jungle ethics of his chosen profession.

"Weeks before I got the sack, I heard rumors that South Melbourne was negotiating with Len McKendry."

"I wouldn't believe it, I said it's just idle Greek gossip. Then it happened, they fired me and Len was appointed, under strong pressure from some players."

Oddly enough, Les Scheinflug was named as the next Marconi coach — with one round to go.

The oddity lies in the fact that Les is still the fulltime national coach and won't know for sure whether the ASF will retain him or not, until November 5.

If they do — will Marconi recall Collins?

Scheinflug did very well with Marconi during his last stint there: in 1980 they even won the National (Philips) Cup.

Then, for reasons never explained, he failed to have his contract renewed. Now, equally mysteriously, he's back in favor.

Meanwhile, there is wild speculation about the next assignment of Rale Rasic, while Attila Aboni has left Canberra to join Croatia.

Then what about APIA and Olympic? Despite all sorts of assurance by club officials, rank and file members openly discuss the possibility of Fil Botalico and Manfred Schaefer being replaced.

Will Rasic go to APIA?

★ ★ ★
Meanwhile, on November 14 we will know who is elected as Coach of the Year by the pressmen.

This time last year I said in a story in "Soccer Action" that Frank Arok would gain this honor — and he did, narrowly beating Eddie Thomson.

Frankly, I cannot see anybody dethroning Arok who should repeat his 1983 triumph.

He not only brought immense stability to St George Budapest — which late 1981 was contemplating a disbanding of pro soccer — but produced one of the most successful teams in the NSL with-

THE ANDREW DETTRE COLUMN



Eddie Thomson — overcame enormous problems

out adding a single senior player to his squad in 1984!

In fact, he shed quite a few: Lajos Koritar, Les Lorinc, Dave Rylands, Denis Duarte, Billy Griffiths and John Davies, replacing them with raw youngsters.

Once again, Eddie Thomson should run a big race for the award: this season he worked under extreme difficulties yet kept his team near the top.

As late as January Sydney Hakoah was an unlikely starter in the League, due to the mother club Hakoah's decision to withdraw its financial support.

Then the decision was reversed — and the team began its campaign against a backdrop of doom and gloom.

To make matters worse, it lost Patkias, Spanos and then Mitchell.

Peter Ollerton will have some supporters too, for having moulded Preston Macedonia into a top outfit, not to mention Ken Kaiser who, with very limited financial resources, built a successful Newcastle.

Len McKendry did remarkably well with South Melbourne Hellas — but spent less than half the season with the club while Doug Collins laid the foundations for a new-look Marconi and certainly deserves credit for that.

The others performed with fluctuating fortunes — and this is probably the kindest thing one can say about most.

But there is one more name that should be mentioned: Lubo Gokovic whose Sydney Hakoah kids ran away with the Youth League title in NSW.

Last year he finished the season brilliantly with Olympic — then had to move over for Docherty. Now he succeeded again with the young Hakoah; Gokovic is sure to be noticed one day by a major club.



Newcastle KB United, from left, standing: Gary Watson, David Jones, Peter Burke, Clint Gosling, Mike Boogaardt, Bob Mountford. Front: Grant Lee, Bernard Kirby, David Lowe, Craig Mason, Howard Tedinick, Joe Senkalski.

Newcastle United players could earn their biggest-ever bonus during a short tour of the United States and Alaska.

The team left last week to take part in a four-team indoor championship at San Diego and then flies to Anchorage, Alaska, for two exhibition matches.

Prizemoney for the indoor tournament ranges from first prize of \$25,000 to \$10,000 for fourth place and a guarantee of \$10,000 has been confirmed for the Alaskan games.

"All of the players contributed \$400 each towards the fares to San Diego and helped raise the remainder of the money after being told the visit could not be financed by the club," said coach Ken Kaiser.

KB goes for \$35,000

"Their outlay will be covered by fourth prize-money from San Diego and with the Alaskan money they stand to earn at least \$500. The tour has nothing to do with the club but the directors gave us permission to negotiate with the Americans."

Newcastle will be matched against the North American indoor champions, San Diego Sockers, another strong indoor team, the Golden Bay Earthquakes and the Swedish indoor champions Haaken.

"We could provide the Americans with a surprise when we play. Although

the team doesn't compete in an indoor competition some of the players have been quite brilliant in training at the University of Newcastle over the past three weeks," said Kaiser.

Joe Senkalski and David Lowe have quickly picked up the skill while Peter Burke has played indoor in England. If we can pull off the big one it will be a fitting reward for the players.

"At the beginning of the season we were never tipped to run anywhere and finishing fifth in the National League reflects great credit on the play-

ers. They will share whatever we win on this tour."

"It will be extremely cold in Anchorage but there has been a lot of publicity about the exhibitions and they should attract a good crowd," said Kaiser.

"The invitation was telexed to Newcastle after the Alaskan organiser read about our visit and that the San Diego games were going to be shown on cable television."

The Alaskan organiser has guaranteed to pay air fares and accommodation expenses to fly Newcastle from San Diego to Anchorage as well as the exhibition fee.

Kaiser added that on return, Newcastle planned to enter a youth and senior team in the University of Newcastle indoor tournament which is played during the summer.



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From left, back row: D. Apostolidis, M. Kalipolitis, C. Giatas, F. Dimitriou, A. Tzabazis, J. Dimitriou, A. Koutrouvelis, M. Miliotis (coach).

Front: J. Liakopoulos, J. Tsolakidis, A. Xanthopoulos, J. Voulgaris, J. Soumelidis, A. Terzakis, P. Petridis.

Inset, from left: N. Maitis, A. Amanatidis, N. Apostolidis.

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SCORERS AND STARS OF '83



Hellas goalkeeper Peter Laumets plucks the ball from the head of Gary Phillips (Olympic).

Joe Watson of Sydney Hakoah equalled the record held by West Adelaide Hellas goalkeeper Martyn Crook in being named in "Soccer Action's" Team of the Year for the fifth team in seven years.

Crook was named in the team in successive years from 1977 to 1981.

Watson made it in 1977, '80, '81, '82 and '83.

Next with four appearances is Jim Hermiston, who played for Brisbane City and Brisbane Lions.

The Team of the Year appears on pages 8 and 9.

Below are all best player votes gained in the Boral Bricks "Soccer Action" Player of the Year award, won by Phil O'Connor of Wollongong.

Winner of the Boral Bricks top scorer award was Doug Brown of SM-Hellas.

Preston Makedonia, which led the league for much of the season, until St George took the title in the last round, polled the most votes in the Boral Bricks award.

Makedonia had a total of 363.

Totals for other clubs:

APIA-LEICHHARDT	357
SOUTH MELBOURNE	340
HELLAS	340
SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH	339
NEWCASTLE KB UTD	336
MARCONI	335
ST. GEORGE BUDAPEST	324
ADELAIDE CITY	320
JUVENTUS	311
SYDNEY OLYMPIC	309
HEIDELBERG	305
ALEXANDER	300
CANBERRA ARROWS	290
FOOTSCRAY JUST	274
WOLLONGONG	274
BRISBANE CITY	274
BRISBANE LIONS	270
WEST ADELAIDE	249
HELLAS	240

All the votes and scorers:

ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS

- Benfield
- B. Nyskohus
- Flounders, Melta
- Villani
- Blair
- Mullen, Carter
- Dods
- McNally, Maxwell
- Rankin
- Cole
- Wright
- Miller, Schillabeer
- GOALS:
- Mullen
- Rankin
- Carter, Villani, Melta
- Maxwell
- Blair, Banfield, Dods
- B. Nyskohus

APIA-LEICHHARDT

- P. Tredinnick
- Bradley
- Mariani
- Bertogna
- Gray
- Scharmann
- Butler
- Morsello
- Parke
- Pullen
- Woodhouse
- Carter

- Giampaolo
- Valeri
- Brown
- GOALS:
- Bradley
- Morsello
- P. Tredinnick, Bertogna, Mariani
- deCeglie, Gray, Giampaolo, Jones
- Butler, Valeri, Carter, Pullen, Sharne
- Own goals: B. Nyskohus (Adel. C.)

BRISBANE CITY

- Wishart
- Perry
- Tokesi
- Hamilton
- Liddell
- Williamson
- Fabrizio
- Wilkinson
- Pimblett
- Cairney
- Glockner, Falco
- Kowtan
- Hughes
- Dunlop
- Bromfield
- GOALS:
- Hamilton
- Tokesi, Glockner, Williamson, Falco
- Cairney, Bromfield, Wilkinson, Hughes
- Fabrizio, Liddell
- Own goals: Willis (Woll), Mountford (Newc), McMillan (Mak), Hummell (Can).

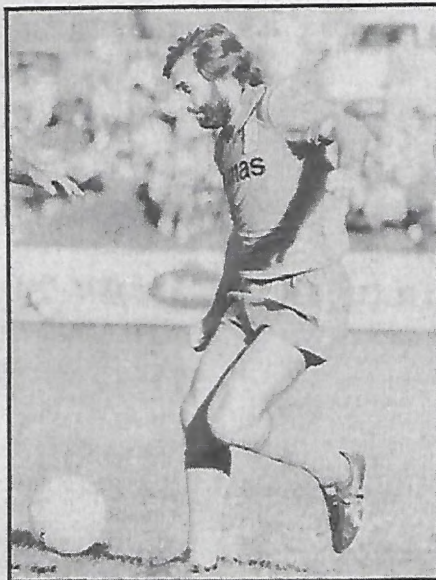
BRISBANE LIONS

- Wright
- R. Stewart
- Niven
- Hunter
- J. Stewart
- Vincent (+5 with H'berg)
- Lownds
- Hogg
- Kelso
- Beves
- Anderson
- Sime
- Vasquez
- Ogden, Daunt
- McClurg
- GOALS:
- Wright
- Daunt
- Niven
- Kelso
- J. Stewart, Hogg, Hunter, R. Stewart
1. Kearton, McSkimming
- Own Goal: Tutill (JUST)

CANBERRA ARROWS

- Farina
- Bryant
- T. Byrne
- Hosowski
- Gibson
- Murray
- Cole
- Christopoulos
- Ambrosino
- Walsh
- Hummell
- Redmond, Young

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George Best — gained no votes, scored no goals during his guest stint with Brisbane Lions.

- G. Byrne, Brennan
- Moutsopoulos, Stone, MacLaren
- GOALS:
- Bryant
- Farina, Gibson
- T. Byrne
- Redmond
- MacLaren, Brennan, Cole
2. Perinovic, Walsh, Christopoulos

FOOTSCRAY JUST

- Kyriakoulas
- Carroll
- McDowell
- Boland
- Belic
- Paton
- Gurovic
- Tutill
- O'Donnell
- Lujic
- Karic
- Purdie
- Simic
1. Taylor
- GOALS:
- Paton
- Walsh
- Lujic
- Carroll, Belic

HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER

- Yankos
- Lea
- Tansey
- Spanos
- McKie
- Selemidis
- MacLeod, Oliver
- Campbell
- Patterson
- Valentine, Cole
5. Vincent (+17 at Brisb. Lions)
2. Juan Toro, Petersen
- GOALS:
- Lea
- Campbell
- Cole
- Valentine
- Selemidis
1. Patterson, Taylor, Vincent, Tansey, MacLeod, Yankos.

MARCONI

- Henderson
- Sermani

- McCulloch
- Djordjevic
- Brown, Jankovics
- Bozanic
- Budini
- Winn, Rizzotto
- James
- Licata
- Calderan
- Hunter, Carbone
- Maher
- GOALS:
- Brown
- Jankovics
- Bozanic, Winn
- Sermani, Licata
2. McCulloch, Carbone, Djordjevic
- Own goals: Vardareff (Woll), M. O'Shea (St. G)

NEWCASTLE KB UNITED

- Lowe
- Burke
- Watson
- Senkalski
- Mason
- Gosling
- H. Tredinnick
- Jones
- Mountford
- Lee
- Boogaardt
- Cowburn
- Maier
- Channon
- GOALS:
- Lowe
- Mountford
- Jones, Mason
- Senkalski, Burke
- Cowburn
1. Caban, Kirby, Brandt, Boogaardt, Lee
- Own goal: Wilkinson (Brisb. C)

PRESTON MAKEDONIA

- Odzakov
- Jones
- McMillan
- Lucchesi
- Campbell
- Ollerton
- Flavell
- Opasinis
- Spanos
- Wilson
- Ward
- Todorovski
8. Petrovski
8. Ilioski
- GOALS:
- Lucchesi
- Ward
- Ollerton
- McMillan
- Odzakov
- Campbell
- Ilioski
1. Farrell
- Own goals: Barnes (Syd. C), Kelso (Brisb. L).

ST. GEORGE BUDAPEST

- Ratcliffe
- Skeen
- Greedy
- Marton
- Stone
- Slater
- Barton
16. M. O'Shea
14. J. O'Shea
12. R. O'Shea
- Biscaya
3. Wilkinson
- GOALS:
- Marton
9. Slater, Wilkinson
7. Barton
3. Petkovski
2. Skeen
1. K. Wilson, J. O'Shea, R. O'Shea, Ratcliffe.
- Own goals: Odzakov (Mak), Xanthopoulos (SM-Hellas), Hughes (Brisb. L.)

STH MELB HELLAS

- Davidson
- Crino
- Halford
- Murphy
- Egan
- Brown
- Blair
- Russell
- Yzendoorn
- Laumets
- Wooddin
- Xanthopoulos
- GOALS:
- Brown
- Egan
- Crino, Halford
- Murphy, Wooddin
1. Buljevic, Russell, Bozinovski, Yzendoorn.



Mike Petersen (Heidelberg)

Own goals: Yankos (H'berg), Petrovski (Mak), Jones (Mak).

SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH

- Watson
- Robertson
- O'Connor
- Kay
- Gomez, Kosmina
- Barnes
- Pezzano
- Souness
15. Cant
11. Bruce
- Mullen, Boden
- Murray
- Mitchell
5. Clarke
1. deMarigny
- GOALS:
15. Kosmina
7. Gomez
5. Boden
4. Mitchell
3. Souness, Murray
2. Barnes, Kay, deMarigny, Watson
1. Borges, Mullen, O'Connor

SYDNEY OLYMPIC

- Patikas
- Katholos
- Soper
- Jennings
- Paterson
- Herbert, Dakos
- Meier
- Phillips
- Raskopoulos
- Rogers
- Coady
- Patalis
- Koussas
1. Kalantzis
- GOALS:
15. Soper
6. Katholos
5. Paterson
3. Patikas
2. Dakos, Phillips, Patalis
1. Coady, Koussas, Raskopoulos

WEST ADEL HELLAS

- Heys
- Honeyman
- Dunn
- Sproul
- Crook
12. McGregor
11. Amey
10. Doorne, McGachey
- Brennan
8. Atsalas
6. Hiern, Papazoglou
4. Wormley
3. Panagis
2. Konstandopoulos
- GOALS:
5. Atsalas
4. Brown
3. Heys
2. Amey, Wormley, Dunn, Brennan, Honeyman
1. Manou, Panagis, Konstandopoulos

WOLLONGONG

- O'Connor
- Vlietstra
- Dunleavy
- Gaffney
- Cotton
14. Preston, Vardareff
12. Fleming
8. McBreen
- Pollard
6. Ainsworth, Kerr
5. Willis
3. Dickson
2. Baker
- GOALS:
12. O'Connor, Cotton
4. Willis
3. Fleming
2. Dunleavy, Ainsworth, McBreen, Dickson
1. Gaffney
- Own goals: Hunter (Marc).



Charlie Yankos (right) scores an own goal in deflecting a shot by Hellas's Doug Brown (second from left) into the net. Ian McKie (left) tries in vain to stop it on the line. In the background, seated, is Jim Tansey.

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TEAM OF THE YEAR

This is our 1983 Team of the Year, based on votes gained in the Boral Bricks "Soccer Action" Player of the Year award. Runners-up in each position also are shown.

Last year's team of the year:

Bobby RUSSELL (SM-Hellas)	Arno BERTOGNA (Wollongong)	Steve POTTER (Prest. Makedonia)	Jim HERMISTON (Brisb. Lions)	Charlie YANKOS (Heid. Alexander)
John BRADLEY (APIA)	Peter KATHOLOS (Syd. Olympic)	Joe WATSON (Syd. C. Makoa)	Derz MARTON (St. Geo. Budapest)	Zoran ILIOSKI (Footsc. JUST)
				Phil O'CONNOR (Wollongong)



47. Terry
GREEDY

(St. George Budapest)

42. Steve Hoszowski (Canberra)

42. Kim Wishart (Brisbane City)



55. David
SKEEN

(St. George Budapest)



83. Charlie
YANKOS

(H'berg Alexander)



68. David
RATCLIFFE

(St. George Budapest)



67. Alan
DAVIDSON

(South Melbourne Hellas)

1981 team of the year: Creek (W. Adelaide), McMillan (Heid. Alex.), Hemmister (Brisb. Lions), Wilson (APIA), B. Nykicheke (Adel. C. Jewel) — Syd. Olympic (Newsp.) — Shumans (Syd. Olympic) — Watson (Syd. Olympic) — Evans (SM-Hellas), Mitchell (Adel. C. Jewel) — Syd. Olympic (Newsp.) — V. Bawer (SM-Hellas), Hemmister (Brisb. Lions), Milovanovic (Canl. Tansey (Heid. Alex.) — G. Cole (Canl. J. Campbell (Heid. Alex.), Barnes (Syd. Olympic) — Watson (Syd. Olympic), Boden (Syd. Olympic), G. Campbell (SM-Hellas)

1979 team of the year: Creek (W. Adelaide) — Perry (Brisb. C.), Pralade (Maced. G. Potter (Brisb. C.), Curran (Newsp.) — J. Campbell (Heid. Alex.), Rooney (Heid. Alex.), Jenkins (Maced.) — Boden (Newsp.), Buljevic (Heid. Alex.), Laic (Footsc. JUST)

1978 team of the year: Creek (W. Adelaide) — B. Nykicheke (Adel. C. Jewel), Perry (Brisb. C.), Kambas (W. Adelaide), Depney (Maced.) — Boyle (W. Adelaide), McDervey (W. Adelaide), Vieri (Maced.) — Shans (Maced.), Boden (Newsp.), Laic (Footsc. JUST)

1977 team of the year: Creek (W. Adelaide) — Pui (SM-Hellas), Hemmister (Brisb. C.), Wilson (W. Adelaide), Remelde (W. Adelaide), last — Richards (Maced.), Barnes (Syd. Olympic), Rooney (Maced.) — Watson (Syd. Olympic), Smith (Syd. Olympic), Buljevic (Heid. Alex.)



58. Oscar
CRING

(South Melbourne Hellas)
46. George McMillan (Prest. Makedonia)
43. Jim Patikas (Sydney Olympic)



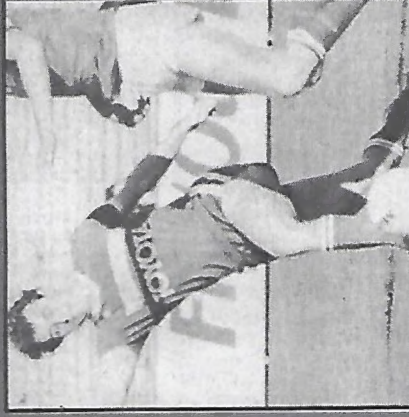
61. Joe
WATSON

(Sydney City Hakoah)
53. Frank Fetha (Canberra)
44. Joe Cardli (Footscray JUST)



67. Zarko
ODZAKOV

(Preston Makedonia)
54. Tommy Sermani (Marconi)
38. Carl Halford (Sth Melb. Hellas)



55. Phil
O'CONNOR

(Wollongong)
54. Dennis Wright (Brisbane Lions)
53. David Lowe (Newcastle KB Utd)



64. Peter
TREDINNICK

(APIA)
50. Steve Bryant (Canberra)
43. Graeme Honeyman (West Adel. Hellas)

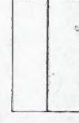


58. John
BRADLEY

(APIA)
54. Graham Heys (West Adel. Hellas)
42. Derek Lea (H'berg Alexander)



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Julio Cesar Romero — off to Atletico Madrid?

New York Cosmos crumbling

From ALEX YANNIS

The elimination of the Cosmos from the North American Soccer League playoffs in Montreal prompted coach Julio Mazzel to repeat that the league's most glamorous team was getting older and needed a facelift.

"We're an older team, we can't keep going," Mazzel said after the 1-0 loss to the Manic. "We must make some changes. When some



Franz Beckenbauer.

Hungary and Germany win

Unfancied Hungary threw the outcome of Group Three of the European Championship into confusion by beating hot favorite Denmark 1-0 in the Nip stadium, Budapest.

Sandor Kiss scored the surprise winner in the 55th minute, before and after the Danes squandered countless goal-scoring chances.

Denmark, which had won five and drawn one of its previous ties, must now win in Greece next month to be sure of qualifying for the finals in France next summer.

But England, which plays Luxembourg away from home on the same night, suddenly finds itself in the role of favorite. It will undoubtedly beat Luxembourg while the nervous Danes, who lead the section by one point, are by no means certain of winning in Athens.

Group three standings:
Denmark..... 7 5 1 1 5 11
England..... 7 4 2 1 10 3 10
Hungary..... 7 3 0 4 10 15 8
Greece..... 5 2 1 2 5 4 5
Luxembourg..... 0 0 0 0 3 1 0
Remaining fixtures: Nov 18 — Greece v Denmark and Luxembourg v England; Dec 3 — Greece v Hungary; Dec 14 — Greece v Luxembourg.

Meanwhile West Germany beat Turkey 5-1 (half-time 1-0) in a European championship Group Six qualifying game in West Berlin.

Sources: West Germany — Vuelter (64 min, 65); R-H Rummenigge (60, 74 pen), Seelke (68); Turkey — Haman (67). Attendance: 35,000.

GROUP SIX TABLE	
West Germany.....	7 4 1 1 13 9
Austria.....	7 4 1 2 14 7 9
Norway.....	7 4 1 2 7 5 9
Turkey.....	7 2 1 4 5 10 5
Albania.....	7 0 2 5 3 12 2

To be played:
18/11/82: W. Germany vs Northern Ireland
18/11/82: Turkey vs Austria 28/11/82: W. Germany vs Albania

WARK, MARINER QUIT BECAUSE \$81,500 WAGE IS NOT ENOUGH

John Wark and Paul Mariner of Ipswich Town have not won any friends by asking for transfers last week, claiming they do not earn enough money.

The two have announced they want to leave because the club will not increase their yearly wage of \$81,500.

The average wage in Britain is around \$14,000 a year.

Wark explained why he thought his \$1600 weekly pay packet was not enough.

He said a professional footballer had a duty to his wife and children to earn as much as he could from football as quickly as he could.

"I realise the average man in the street earns only a fraction of my wages and he may well feel it's justified to call me greedy," he said.

"But I hope he appreciates that football is such a short life. I have no qualifications.

From BRUCE WADDELL

I left school as early as I could, and when I retire I have no idea what I'll do.

"I am 26 now and have probably another eight or nine years left, but I could be put out of the game tomorrow by a serious injury," Wark said.

Ipswich has never been renowned as a big-spending club and Wark and Mariner realise they still earn a lot less than some of the top players from clubs like Liverpool, Manchester United, Arsenal and Spurs.

United's England captain Bryan Robson, Spurs' Glenn Hoddle, and Arsenal pair Tony Woodcock and Charlie Nicholas are thought to be earning more than \$3200 a week.

The top dog in the money stakes is former England captain Kevin Keegan, who is earning an estimated \$4900 with second division Newcastle United.

The dissatisfied Mariner is no doubt concerned that although he is keeping Woodcock out of the England team at the moment, he is earning half the Arsenal striker's salary.

Wark continued: "Players of the same ability as we are earning a lot more money. In comparison with some of the United and Liverpool players, we are poorly paid.

"I've had reasonably good wages since I became a professional but for two years as an apprentice I received very little. My first wage packet contained 7.40 stp. (\$12).

Wark said he realised it was a common belief that players were overpaid and were ruining clubs financially.

"But clubs pay players what they can afford. I appreciate Ipswich's position but I have got to look after myself," he said.

As Ipswich already has announced it will not increase the wages of the two key players, it looks certain both will soon move on to other clubs.

But there are many that could afford them?

Laudrup to push out Boniek?

From JIM COOK
our European correspondent

A powerful struggle is reported to be brewing about who will be Italy's new national team skipper to succeed Dino Zoff. Favorite is Antonio Cabrini of Juventus but Fiorentina captain Giancarlo Antognoni also has his backers.

The demise of Arsenal has triggered off suggestions that unless things improve quickly at Highbury, then Terry Neal's job may be on the line. I understand that Terry's present contract is only for a year.

New sensation in Dutch soccer is 21-year-old black striker Ruud Gullit of Feyenoord. Gullit's 36-year-old colleague Johan Cruyff has high praise for him.

The man who steered Jacksonville Tea Men to the American Soccer League title is Denis Violett, the former Manchester United and England star of 20 years ago. The Team Men quit the NASL last year.

The Football League in England has launched a \$600,000 campaign to try to win back many of the lost fans. If the T.V. ads are successful, it may invest another \$2 million on the scheme. The specially commissioned jingle "We'll Be There" is designed especially for Central T.V. in the Midlands where attendances have fallen more than elsewhere.

Britain's richest man is Sir John Moores CBE, co-founder of Littlewoods Pools. His estimated fortune is \$2,600 million.

Zico, now with Udinese, has revealed he never allowed his father to attend his matches. Evidently Dad has a red-hot temper and was likely to clobber anyone who fouled his son.

Over 70,000 packed the Olympic Stadium in Munich to see Bayern thrash Borussia 4-0 with Karl-Heinz Rummenigge grabbing two goals.

Hungarian soccer is a far cry from the Mighty Maygars of the 50's. Talent is so scarce and morale so low after the gigantic pools swindle that even with top prices at the Nip Stadium only \$4 for the England game the ground was two thirds empty.

Denmark has only to beat either Hungary or Greece in its two remaining European Championship matches to go through to the finals in France next summer. After their win against England at Wembley the Danes are capable of beating both, which is bad news for England.

Celtic says it won't lose star Paul McStay, 19, like it did Charlie Nicholas. McStay has just signed a five-year contract, as has colleague Roy Aitken, 25.

The once famous Charlton, which had a winding-up order brought against it in court recently by former chairman Mike Gilkerson who reckons the club owes him \$1 million has until Nov. 7 to sort itself out.

Brazilian mid star Cerezo quickly endeared himself to the Roma fans — especially the ladies. Frequently at the club's training sessions he autographs a ball, then gifts it to a supporter — usually a pretty signora.



Michael Laudrup

Reports say that Dutch star Johnny Rep who quit French side St Etienne to come home to PEC Zwolle is being hounded by the taxman in France. The French Income Revenue evidently sold his home in Sorbiers for \$80,000 to meet some of his debts.

Michael Laudrup, the 18-year-old Danish sensation who has scored nine goals in his six internationals, could force Michel Platini or Zbigniew Boniek away from Juventus at the end of the season. Laudrup, presently on loan to Lazio, is certain to rejoin Juventus next season and with the two-foreigners limit in Italian soccer the Frenchman or the Pole must go.

Republic of Ireland under 21 keeper Keirnan O'Hanlon who plays for Middlesbrough, received an IRA death threat before the Yorkshire club's game with Blackburn Rovers. A letter said he would be shot if Blackburn didn't win.

Jean-Marie Pfaff, the Belgium national team keeper who plays for Bayern Munich, gets over 500 fan letters every day and before his club games hands out over 2000 signed photos of himself. He is so popular in West Germany that a top magazine there quotes him as being the only world class foreigner in the Bundesliga.



Joao Alves and his black gloves.

JOAO ALVES — MAN IN THE BLACK GLOVES

By PAUL MOON

Joao Alves would have grabbed the soccer world's attention anyway through midfield craft and elegance, but his insistence upon wearing black gloves assured that he stood out on the pitch.

The habit was inherited from his uncle — also an international.

Discarded by Benfica as a teenager, he joined Boavista, and it was with his current club that Alves first proved himself a player of exceptional ability.

Boavista though was then only a stepping stone for ambitious players and Salomance paid a large transfer fee to introduce him into Spanish League football.

Only a year was spent over the border though, before Benfica, realising its earlier mistake, brought Alves back to Lisbon.

After another single season, he was on the move again — to Paris St. Germain for a million dollars.

Unfortunately a broken leg, suffered in his third French League game, and homesickness, marred the Portuguese linkman's stay, which lasted less than one campaign.

Benfica returned PSG's million dollars in order to buy Alves back and he subsequently did much to maintain the "Eagles" status as Portugal's top dogs and restore them as a power in Europe. These overseas excursions have limited his

international career, yet he is quickly nearing his 50th cap.

It appeared likely that another trip outside of Portugal was likely earlier this year when Atletico Madrid, Roma and Udinese were all reported to have made bids for his services, however it was Boavista whom he eventually signed for.

Perpetually in the shadow of powerful neighbours FC Oporto, Boavista have only in recent years become a force in Portuguese soccer.

Never appearing likely to break the Benfica-Sporting-FC Oporto stranglehold on the league, Boavista have nonetheless proved themselves doughty fighters in the Portuguese Cup.

Three times — 1975, 1976 and 1979, they lifted the trophy.

In the European Cup Winners' Cup and UEFA Cup, both of which they have entered three times, however Boavista found success elusive.

Group One
England - C'vakia 3-0, 1-2.
England - Portugal 0-0, 1-1.
England - Cyprus 5-0, 1-0.
C'vakia - Portugal 5-0, 1-1.
Portugal - Cyprus 1-0, 2-0.
Cyprus - C'vakia 0-3, 0-4.
Qualified: Czechoslovakia.

Group Two
Austria - Wales 2-1, 0-1.
Austria - Hungary 0-0, 1-2.
Austria Luxembourg 6-2, 2-1.
Luxembourg - Wales 1-3, 0-5.
Wales - Hungary 2-0, 2-1.
Hungary - Luxembourg 8-1, 4-2.
Qualified: Wales.

Group Three
Yugoslavia - Norway 3-1, 3-1.
Yugoslavia - Sweden 3-0, 2-1.
Yugoslavia - N. Ireland 1-0, 0-1.
Norway - Sweden 0-2, 1-3.
Sweden - N. Ireland 0-2, 2-1.
N. Ireland - Norway 3-0, 1-2.
Qualified: Yugoslavia.

Group Four
Denmark - Spain 1-2, 0-2.
Scotland - Spain 1-2, 1-1.
Spain & Rumania 1-1, 2-2.
Scotland - Rumania 1-1, 1-1.
Rumania - Denmark 8-1, 0-0.
Denmark - Scotland 0-1, 1-3.
Qualified: Spain.

Group Five
Finland - Holland 1-3, 1-4.
Holland - Italy 3-1, 0-1.
Poland - Holland 4-1, 0-3.
Poland - Italy 0-0, 0-0.
Finland - Poland 3-0, 2-1.
Finland - Italy 0-1, 0-0.
Qualified: Holland.

Group Six
Eire - USSR 3-0, 1-2.
USSR - Turkey 3-0, 0-1.
Switzerland - USSR 0-1, 1-4.
Switzerland - Eire 1-0, 1-2.
Turkey - Eire 1-1, 0-4.
Switzerland - Turkey 1-1, 1-2.
Qualified: Russia.

Group Seven
Iceland - Belgium 0-2, 0-1.
Belgium - France 2-1, 0-0.
Belgium - E. Germany 1-2, 0-0.
France - E. Germany 2-2, 1-2.
E. Germany - Iceland 1-1, 1-2.
Iceland - France 0-0, 0-3.
Qualified: Belgium.

Group Eight
Greece - W. Germany 2-2, 1-1.
Malta - Greece 2-0, 0-4.
Bulgaria - Greece 3-1, 1-2.
Malta - W. Germany 0-1, 0-8.
Switzerland - USSR 0-1, 1-4.
W. Germany - Bulgaria 1-0, 1-10.
Bulgaria - Malta 5-0, 2-0.
Qualified: W. Germany.

Quarter-finals
Spain - W. Germany 1-1, 0-2.
Yugoslavia - Wales 2-0, 1-1.
Holland - Belgium 5-0, 2-1.
C'vakia - Russia 2-0, 2-2.

Semi-finals
C'vakia - Holland 3-1.
Yugoslavia - W. Germany 2-4.

Match for Third Place

Yugoslavia - Holland 2-3.
Final - National Stadium, Belgrade - June 20, 1976 - 50,000.

C'VAKIA - WEST GERMANY
2-2 (2-1) after extra time. (Svenhik, Dobias, D. Mueller, Holzenbein).

C'VAKIA: Viktor, Dobias (Vose-ly), Pivarnik, Ondrus, Cepkovic, Gogh, Modern, Panenska, Svehlik (Jankovic), Masny, Nehoda.

W. GERMANY: Miler, Vogta, Beckenbauer, Schwarzenbeck, Dietz, Bonhof, Wimmer (Floh), D. Mueller, Beer (Bongartz), Hoeness, Holzenbein.

Referee: Gonnali (Italy).
C'vakia won 5-3 on penalties.



SOCCER AROUND THE WORLD

German's' Golden era ended by Czech penalties

The resounding popularity achieved by West Germany and Holland in the 1974 World Cup confirmed once and for all the key to success in modern football lay in the physical interpretation of the game.

PHILIP MICALFEE continues the history of the European Championship

While the teams from northern Europe moved ahead with their powerful and multi-purpose game, teams like Argentina, Brazil, Italy and Uruguay, traditional exponents of the so-called "artistic" game, fared badly.

And when the fifth Eu-

ropean Championship kicked off in late 1974, the continent's fans wanted to see whether the big wins recorded by the Germans, Dutch, Poles and Swedes were actually a flash in the pan or the continuation of a trend initiated four earlier by that great West German national team and the super club team from Holland - Ajax Amsterdam.

Holland and Poland were unfortunately drawn together in Group Five along with Italy.

The superb skills of Johann Cruyff, Ruud Krol and Wim van Hanegem saw the Dutch through on goal difference but the Italians, with many young players in the side after the '74 fiasco, missed out after losing a point at home to unrated Finland.

Czechoslovakia, with finally a decent team after years of humiliating defeats, recovered from an exaggerated 3-0 loss to England at Wembley to beat Portugal 5-0 and turn the tables on England, winning 2-1 in Bratislava.

England lost further ground by drawing 0-0 with Portugal at Wembley.

Old rivals and neighbors, Austria and Hungary, were set for yet another classic confrontation in Group Two for a place in the quarter-finals.

But tiny Wales came out of nowhere to beat first the Magyars in Budapest and then the Austrians in Cardiff to qualify with merit.

Yugoslavia did not find its Group Three companions easy to beat.

After losing to Northern Ireland in Belfast, the Slavs had to beat Sweden both at home and away to make the "quarters".

Group Four opened with a controversy about Spain's Argentinian-born striker Roberto Martinez, who later was banned from representing Spain.

But after beating Scotland 2-1 at Hampden, the Spaniards were able to cruise through the group matches and qualify easily.

Eire provided a major shock by beating the USSR 3-0 in the opening Group Six match in Dublin. This shock defeat prompted the Soviet authorities to pin their hopes of qualifying on the successful club side Dinamo Kiev.

This "on team block" system paid off because the Soviets quickly became a transformed side and won four games on the trot to reach the quarter-finals, star striker Oleg Blokhin being the best player.

Belgium survived an unexpected loss to East Germany to top Group Seven after taking three points from the French.

Wales eventually scored an equalising goal but the stadium was banned for three years by UEFA.

Holland hit its best form in crushing neighboring rival Belgium 5-0 at home and confirmed its potential by winning also away.

In an "all Communist" quarter-final, Czechoslovakia beat USSR 2-0 at home and snatched a 2-2 draw in Moscow to make up the finals group.

The four matches in Yugoslavia provided some of the best football seen in Europe for a decade.

The clever Czechs, guided by the brilliant Marian Masny, defeated Cruyff less Holland in Zagreb's Dinamo Stadium 3-1 after extra time.

At normal time the score stood at 1-1 and, with Pollak sent off, things were not looking good for Czechoslovakia. But ace striker Nehoda, midfielder Vesely scored twice in quick breaks to send the Dutch packing.

Later in the evening in Belgrade, Yugoslavia was poised to record its best win in many years. The fast Popivoda and the experienced Dzijic scored twice to put Yugoslavia in a commanding 2-0 lead at half-time.

But the Germans, showing their characteristic never-say-die spirit, had other ideas and a goal by substitute Dieter Mueller put them back into the game.

The Cologne forward went on to snatch a glorious hat-trick to enable West Germany to win 4-2 after extra time.

In the match for third place Holland beat Yugoslavia 2-2 after extra time. In another attractive clash played in Zagreb, blond striker Uels scored twice for Holland.

The final in Belgrade was a classic Svehlik and Dobias gave the Czechs a 2-0 lead at half-time but before half time Dieter Mueller pulled one back for West Germany.

In the second half the Germans attacked without respite but Czechoslovakia, with defender Ondrus in towering form, held out.

With time running out fast, winger Holzenbein snatched a dramatic equalizer, sending this fine match into extra time, which provided no further goals.

The title was decided by a penalty shoot-out, which Czechoslovakia won 5-3.

It was not the most convincing way to win an international competition but the Czechs, after that unfortunate qualifying match in London, came back strongly and finished the competition as the best team.

For West Germany, it was a sad loss but it was clear all through the tournament the sparkle and genius of the 1972 and 1974 editions were disappearing. A golden era was about to end.



Czech coach Jezek is tossed into the air by jubilant players after the final win over West Germany in Belgrade. The Czechs won 5-3 on penalties.

Lech Poznan's title, thanks to Kupcewicz, Bak, Okonski

LECH POZNAN, champions of Poland.

A year ago it would have been considered an impossible dream by those experts who expected the league title to have been a private contest between Legia Warszawa and Slask Wroclaw.

Lech's success is owed, in large measure, to the work over the past three years of coach Wojciech Lazarek.

Aged 45, Lazarek was originally a player with Start Lodz, LKS and finally for Lechia Gdansk (last season's surprise cup-winners from the third division). After retiring he sat his coaching examinations in Gdansk and then worked with Wloknarz Lodz, Lechia, Gdansk, MRKS Gdynia, Olimpia Elblag, Baltik Gdynia and Zawisza Bydgoszcz.

He also had short spells studying abroad at Hamburg and Herta Berlin before taking over at Lech.

His basic team last season was Mowluk or Plesniarowicz - Pawlak or Stoiniski, Szweczyk, Malek, Barczak, Okonski, Kupcewicz, Adamiec or Krzyzanowski - Bak, Niewiadomski, Okonski.

Only two of those players began their football careers with Lech or were born in Poznan - Hieronim Barczak and Rafal Stoiniski. The rest were all signed from other clubs. But the key transfer dealing came a year ago when Lech signed Jozef Adamiec,

Jacek Bak and Janusz Kupcewicz. It's Kupcewicz who is the best-known Lech player, both to the fans in Poland and to those abroad. His national team chances were restricted for years before with the midfield dominance of Kazimierz Deyna. But Kupcewicz has been a national squad fixture since Deyna's departure. He may not be too quick, but he has an excellent shot, good control and vision of play.

Despite health problems, Kupcewicz was in top form last season and played the decisive role in the last game of the term when Lech, in order to win the Championship, had to win away against once-great Gornik Zabrze. Gornik at home are still dangerous rivals, but two touches from Kupcewicz and Lech won 2-0.

Kupcewicz can win matches single-handed but he was supported last season by two excellent wingers in Mirosław Okonski and Jacek Bak.

Okonski could be a new Robert Gadocha. But madly, it seems that even after dribbling past defenders and the goalkeeper, he cannot put the ball in the net. If he could correct his finishing he would score three time more goals and perhaps even win the "Golden Shoe" for Europe's top scorer.

As for Bak, the 21-year-old from Resovia Rzeszow is the great hope of Polish football with his inventive, unpredictable talents.

Y. Lech did not have it easy. The league leadership changed almost every week-end between Ruch, Lech, Pogon and Widzew in the season's closing stages.

Widzew won all their last three games against Cracovia, Gwardia and Zagłębie, scoring 12 goals, but it wasn't enough to overhaul Lech, known as the "Railmen's team".

PLAYERS

PIOTR MOWLİK - Goalkeeper. Aged 33. 21 caps. Experienced, sharp reflexes. Product of ROW Rybnik, then played for Unia Raciborz and Legia Warszawa. Came to Lech in 1979.

ZBIGNIEW PLESNIOWICZ - Goalkeeper. 24. Product of Wloknarz Lodz, then Legia Warszawa. Joined Lech a year ago.

HIERONIM BARGZAK - Rick-back, an attacking player. 30/8. Team captain. Played before for Przemyśl and Polonia Poznan.

JOZEF SZWECZYK - Sweeper. 33/1. Played for Wanda Krakow, Hutnik Krakow, Slask Wroclaw, and since 1977, for Lech.

JANUSZ MALEK - Full-back. 25. Product of Stal Krasnik. Hard player.

ANDRZEJ STRUGAREH - Defender. 25. Joined Lech from Zastal Zielonolona Gora. Began with Lucznik Strzelce Krajeńskie.

LESZEK PARTYSKI - Utility player. 22. Product of Sandecja, joined Lech from Radomsk.

JOZEF ADAMIEC - Sweeper or midfielder. 29/1. Joined Lech from Odra Opole. Played previously for Unia Kolosowski and Malapanew Ozimek. Powerful player with strong shot.

JERZY KRZYZANOWSKI - Midfield. 28. Product of Pogon Siedlce, joined Lech from Bron Radom. Good with free-kicks.

JANUSZ KUPCEWICZ - Midfield. 27/19. Has scored five goals for Poland and got nine for Lech last season. The key man.

JERZY OBLEWSKI - Midfield. 25. Product of Olimpia Kamienna Gora. Joined Lech

from Karkonosze. Hard-working player.

JACEK BAK - Right-winger. 21. Quick, good dribbler. Joined Lech in 1982 from Resovia Rzeszow.

MARIUSZ NIWIDOMSKI - Centre-forward. 24. Good header. Looks like Diego Maradona. Previous clubs: Gwardia Koszalin and Stilon Gorzow.

MIROSLAW OKONSKI - Left-winger. 24/7. Skillful dribbler, good with long-range shots. League's joint-top scorer last season with 15 goals.

KKS LECH POZNAN

Founded - 1922. Colours: white-blue.
Coach - Wojciech Lazarek (born 1935).
Polish Champions - 1983.
Polish Cup - 1982.

Stadium - ul. Dzierzyskiego 27A (18,000 spectators).
Nickname - Railwaymen.

Swansea for sale

The entire playing staff of struggling English Second Division soccer club Swansea City have been offered for sale to help the club overcome its financial crisis.

The club's bankers have given it a few weeks to raise \$650,000 of which half is expected to be provided by the Swansea board and the other half from transferees.

The sellout means Swansea's top stars, like Bob Latchford, Ian Walsh, Alan Curtis, Jimmy Rimmer, Jeremy Charles, Gary Stanley and Neil Robinson are all on the transfer list.

The club is losing \$16,000 a week and has debts of \$2.4 million. Players' wages will have to be cut by half.

Olympic final sold out

ALL 103,000 tickets for the 1984 Olympic soccer final in the Los Angeles Rose Bowl on August 11 have been sold.

Half a million seats have been sold for the whole tournament.

A special FIEA committee also found it no difficulty in organising an under-16 world tournament, since, with the exception of Africa, the idea was already established within most federations. It was suggested the finals should comprise 16 teams meeting for the first time in 1985, probably in China.

Donaldson may return to challenge Denys' record

By PETER DESIRA

Green Gully Ajax goalkeeper Lou Denys has opened clear lead at the top of the overall appearances record for players currently playing in the Victorian State League.

Denys has amassed 156 appearances in seven years between the sticks for Ajax and has overtaken last year's leader, Ken Murphy, by 19 appearances.

Murphy had established a unique record, missing only one match in Croatia's first six seasons in the State League before moving on to South Melbourne Hellas this season.

Denys has missed six games in seven seasons including one this year, against George Cross through injury.

His record may stand for only one season however as one of his closest challengers, Peter Donaldson, is expected to make a return to the State League next year with Broadmeadows.

Donaldson has 133 appearances to his credit with three clubs — Ajax, Sunshine and Juventus — but missed out on adding any this season through his move to the First Division.

Denys is not expected to add to his total as he is likely to be in the Ajax team which will be promoted to the National League.

A number of other leading players in the overall appearances tally will move with him into the NSL next season.

Among those within reach of Denys are teammate Willie Vassallo who has played 126 matches (123 full appearances and three as substitute), Melbourne Croatia duo Keith Adams (114 appearances) and Peter Blasby (113 appearances). Croydon centre back Steve McCombe on 111, and Bruno Sabidussi who has 123 appearances to his credit with two clubs, Juventus and Falkner.

Appearances tallies are available only since 1976 as no record was kept prior to that season.

Here is a short list of players who have made over 100 appearances for their clubs since 1976. The records are split into full appearances (when they were in the starting line-up) and number of appearances & substitutes (eg Willie Vassallo's 123 + 3 means 123 full games and three as substitute).

156 Lou Denys (Green Gully)
135 Ken Murphy (Croatia)
133 Peter Donaldson (Green Gully, Sunshine, Juventus)
124 + 1 Norm Maitland (George Cross)
123 + 3 Willie Vassallo (Green Gully)
112 + 2 Keith Adams (Croatia)
112 + 1 Peter Blasby (Croatia)
115 + 3 Bill Jordanou (Hellas and Hakoah)
116 + 8 Ante Blavner (Croatia)
117 + 1 Steve Kokoska (Croatia)

Wilhelmina had the dubious honor of using the most players in '83 when 31 wore the club's orange strip at senior level at least once.

Hellas wasn't far behind, using 30 including six NSL players who were "relegated" to State League at one stage or another.

Juventus used the least number, calling on only 18 players throughout the season.

Here is a full run-down, club by club, of the number of full and substitute appearances made in the league this season.

Remember the first figure denotes full appearances, the



Green Gully Ajax goalkeeper Lou Denys

second (after the plus) is the number of times the player was utilised as a playing substitute.

ALBION ROVERS: 26 Kieron Coyle; 25 Tommy Costello; 24 plus 1 Dean Hennessey; 24 plus 1 Gerry Reilly; 24 Ken Smart; 23 Bennie Ferrie; 20 plus 1 Frank MacLeod; 19 plus 4 Mick D'Sylva; 14 plus 1 Steve Douglas; 14 Alan Bennett; 13 plus 3 Brian Galea; 13 plus 1 Eddie Gray; 12 plus 1 Peter Dickson; 10 plus 2 Dave Stuart; 9 Ron McIvor; 4 plus 1 Mark Karapatos; 4 Lars Murphy; 3 Graham Williams; 2 plus 4 Bill McIntyre; 2 plus 1 Chris Ogden; 1 Danny Lacey; — plus 2 Charlie Spiteri; — plus 1 Charlie Cipri.

BOX HILL: 26 Ian Roodhouse; 26 Peter Verecchia; 25 Alan Hughes; 24 John McKinlay; 22 Don Brownlie; 22 Richard Miranda; 19 plus 2 Alan Roodhouse; 17 plus 5 Don Lawler; 15 plus 4 David Azzopardi; 15 plus 1 Matt MacDonald; 15 Paul Priestley; 13 plus 1 John Gabrielson; 13 Pedro Ramos; 8 plus 5 Ray Taylor; 7 plus 1 Brian Keenan; 6 plus 1 Kyle Patterson; 4 Ray Tormie; 3 plus 1 Alan McKeena; 3 plus 1 Keith Valentine; 2 plus 1 John Scholten; 1 Gary McPhee; — plus 1 Rob McLachlan; — plus 1 Greg McLeod.

CROYDON CITY: 26 Paul Wade; 25 plus 1 Mark Brown; 24 Gary Hobson; 24 Lou Kastner; 23 plus 1 Mick Rainey; 20 plus 4 Steve Irvine; 20 plus 2 Ian Dobson; 20 plus 1 Jim Rooney; 19 Steve McCombe; 18 plus 1 Joe Sweeney; 16 plus 3 Peter Loughane; 16 plus 1 Terry Nolan; 11 Steve Marley; 10 plus 4 Gus MacLeod; 7 plus 6 Ian Loughane; 3 plus 1 Reno Lia; 2 Mick Edwards; 2 David Singleton; — plus 1 Lucio Saisi.

DOVETON: 26 Sean Keogh; 26 Brian Lennon; 26 Ian Stirton;

25 Peter Thurlow; 24 Stan Webster; 23 Paul Corke; 20 John Dowling; 19 plus 4 Andy Miller; 19 plus 1 Bill Buchanan; 18 Graham Watson; 12 plus 2 Jeff Waterhouse; 11 plus 1 Greg McLeod; 11 Steve Gadsby; 9 Ernie Merrick; 4 plus 6 Colin Bartlett; 4 plus 1 Mick McIvor; 3 plus 1 Gengiz Hulusi; 2 plus 2 Paul Brabbin; 2 plus 2 Murray; 1 Paul Cridge; 1 Carlos Waite; — plus 1 M. Keogh.

FAWKNER: 26 Cesare Fattore; 25 Ian Tuffield; 24 plus 1 Joe Palinkas; 23 Robert Terzini; 22 Tony Schipano; 21 Bruno Cozzella; 20 Jim Kondarios; 19 plus 3 Andy Bozikas; 18 plus 2 Mel Anselma; 17 plus 2 Bruno Sabidussi; 17 plus 1 Serge Sabadini; 13 plus 3 Carlo Sabidussi; 9 Michael Giacconi; 6 plus 1 Ralph Petrocchi; 6 Tiziano Cavallari; 5 plus 5 Robert Palmariotti; 3 plus 3 Milan Kojic; 3 plus 2 Tony Mainetti; 3 Bill Panas; 2 plus 3 Rajko Curcija; 1 plus 7 John Sannipoli; 1 plus 1 Slobodan Popovic; 1 Les Gooney; 1 Chris Petrov; — plus 1 Fab Angele.

GREEN GULLY AJAX: 26 David Hogben; 26 Jim Williams; 25 Lou Denys; 25 Bobby Toal; 24 Stuart Cannell; 24 Paul Lewis; 24 Peter Lewis; 24 Steve Short; 24 David Smallman; 24 Willie Vassallo; 20 plus 2 Peter Boyle; 19 plus 4 Kit Greenan; 3 plus 7 Fab Mancinelli; 3 plus 1 Danny Beranic; 3 Ron Krenners; 1 plus 3 Steve McLelland; 1 Steve McKenna.

JUVENTUS: 26 Harry Hird; 25 Vince Bannan; 24 Gary Clayton; 23 plus 1 Pat Bannan; 22 plus 4 Graham French; 22 plus 2 Ged Bannan; 22 Billy Rogers; 21 plus 4 Kevin Lloyd; 20 plus 1 Andrew Zinni; 18 plus 2 Fab Incantalupo; 14 plus 5 Jim Nelson; 14 plus 4 Kevin Swinscoe; 10 plus 2 Rob Cullen; 2 Alex Fenton; — plus 5 Frank Ceremina; — plus 1 Tony Heery.

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Sasha keeps scoring

Sasha Becvinovski (above) is the young goals king of Footscray JUST. Sash 11, scored 34 goals in the JUST under 11's last year and 37 goals this year, 26 in the under-13 team. He's been a hat-trick hero on six occasions this season and he's tipped to be one of JUST's future stars. Picture by LES SHORROCK.



• The Auburn youngsters who soon will tour England, had the thrill recently of meeting some of the great players the Auburn club has produced.

Back Row: from left: David Sherwin from the Tour Sponsor — Total Image; Paul Carter, Tommy McCulloch, Craig Jones, Brett Woods, Rod Brown, Slav Plinincic, Robbie Slater, John McDonald.

Middle Row: Keiran Pender, Cristian Navarro, Stuart Nolan, David Bonnyman, Paul Rago, Hayden Sanson, Tony Allen, Danny Wright.

Front Row — Robert Wozniak (squad coach), Jim Adams, Stuart Coutts, Gabriel Bruno, Harry Wozniak, Michael Beky, Adam Wozniak, Denis Wright (manager).

AUBURN BOYS TO VISIT ENGLAND

Auburn (NSW) will send a youth team on a three-week tour to England, from January 1, 1984.

The tour has been arranged by Stephen's International Sports Travel.

The squad consists of 11 under 13 players, one under 14 and 15 plus an U/13 representative from Coffs Harbor as well as a coach and manager.

They include: Coach: Robert Wozniak, Manager: Denis Wright, U/13 players: Hayden Sanson (Captain), David Bonnyman, Stuart Coutts, Gabriel Bruno, Michael Beky, Tony Allen, Harry Wozniak, Keiran Pender, Cristian Navarro, Danny Wright, Paul Rago; U/14: Jim Adams; U/15: Adam Wozniak, U/13 representative Stuart Nolan.

The youth squad will be based at West-erfield House, Ipswich, for two weeks and the third week will involve a bus tour of Northern England.

The players will be coached by professional coaches and First Division players at West-erfield House, which is the training headquarters of Ipswich Town Football Club.

Some of the great players the Australian boys will meet include: Craig Johnson, Pat Jennings, Kenny Dalglish, Glenn Hoddle, Bryan Robson, Billy Bonds, Kevin Keegan,

Ossie Ardiles, Trevor Francis and Norman Whiteside.

Six social games have been organised against English sides, plus a five-a-side competition.

Apart from the soccer aspect of the tour, the party will take in the many education aspects of the country, including the numerous sights of London, Cambridge University and other historical landmarks in England.

The funds for the tour are being raised mainly by the efforts of the 14 boys, their coach, manager and parents, with assistance from the Auburn supporters, the general business community and friends.

The securing of a major tour sponsor in the form of the Total Image Company, which specialises in food and health supplement such as the K-25 and Ultra Diet products has assisted greatly.

Auburn will once again hold its annual free Summer Coaching Clinic and 1983's clinic will be bigger and better than ever.

Run during November, on every Tuesday and Thursday, between 5.45 pm and 7.30 pm at the new Wilson park complex at Silverwater, near the Women's Prison (turn off Silverwater Road at Holker Street, then first left at Newington Road) the clinic is available, free of charge, to all boys between the age of 11 years and 16 years old.

Auburn staff coaches (headed by two-times Rothmans Medal Winner, John McDonald) will organise the coaching, with assistance from the Auburn 1st Grade players.



Rothmans Medal-list Stefan Mita (Polonia)

Joe Palinkas of Fawkner

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Leagues cut Rodny out

By TED SIMMONS

The president of the NSW Soccer Federation, Karel Rodny has officially resigned after holding the position for the past seven years.

Acting president Ken Ferguson announced the resignation at a special meeting of Federation clubs which had been called to consider constitutional changes to fit in with next year's National League competition.

"Mr Rodny has been an executive member for 12 years and involved in the game for the past 32 years. He proved his dedication to the NSW Federation and his resignation is a loss to all in soccer," he said.

Karel Rodny was president of two of the greatest club sides to be seen in Sydney — Prague and Hakoah — but has been under a great deal of pressure in recent months.

"There are too many people seeking power and I prefer not to be involved any more," he said today.

The special meeting agreed to change its constitution to enable the National League to take a greater part in its activities.

Two NSL delegates will be automatic members of the State executive which will be expanded from seven to nine and National League clubs will be entitled to three votes each under the new voting structure.

The meeting made two other major changes for next season in deciding to reduce the First and Second division state League competitions to 12 teams each and to have the federation president elected from the floor of the annual general meeting.

The two divisions this year had consisted of 14 teams each: and in the past the executive committee had elected its president.

Mr Ferguson said the decisions relating to the National League were dependent on the executive being satisfied by

Daniels stands for council



Peter Daniels

Preston Makedonia stalwart Peter Tirpku, also known by the business name Peter Daniels, will stand for Preston Council due to his concern over the lack of business and employment opportunities in the municipality.

Every day in his work, says Peter, he is aware of the number of closures of factories and business houses due to rising rates and charges levied by the authorities.

Peter, 50, real estate agent, trading under the business name Peter Daniels and Co., has been involved in the City of Preston for the last 30 years, mainly in the Central Ward.



HOWRAH... winner of the Tasmanian Rothmans League Division 1 Cup. From left, back row: Webb (coach), Cornish, Minty, First Aid Official, Conlan, Dzelalij, New (captain), P. Richardson, Manager. Front: Weitnauer, Cooper, Jennings, Williams, Corongiu, Schueler, D. Richardson.



TAROON-ST MIRREN... runner-up in Tasmanian Rothmans League Division 1 and in Rothmans Cup Final. Back: Richards (coach), Lickiss, B. Ross, Harrison, Hanna, Jones, Baker, Taplin, J. Ross (manager). Front: Bishop, Morrison, Davis, C. Ross, Fiddis.

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IL FAWKNER HA PASSATO L'ESAME

Il Fawkner ha concluso il suo primo anno nella lega statale con un piazzamento fisale da metà classifica che torna a tutto onore della matricola. E le cose avrebbero potuto andare anche meglio se la fortuna avesse favorito un pochettino in più il club di Jules Road.

La stagione era appena cominciata che Les Gooney, il classico libero che era il punto di forza dello schieramento difensivo, riportava un grave infortunio al ginocchio e rimaneva fuori squadra per il resto dell'anno. Senza di lui Cirkovic si trovò nella necessità, e fu un lampo di genio, di spostare al centro della difesa il lungo Tuffield che era la punta di diamante della linea difensiva azzurra.

Bastò questo incidente, e il necessario spostamento di Tuffield dal suo ruolo, per mandare a monte tutti i piani del precampionato. Il Fawkner aveva infatti cominciato il suo primo anno in lega statale con una grande fiducia nella squadra che aveva brillantemente conquistato la promozione l'anno prima ed intendeva mantenerla quasi immutata ad eccezione di qualche piccolo innesto che un po' di opportunità di mercato avrebbe procurato per poco o niente. Palinkas, per esempio, preso in prestito dal Brisbane City avrebbe dovuto aggiungere esperienza e classe ad una prima linea dove i pur brillanti An-

selma e Tuffield erano ancora troppo acerbi per i "volponi" delle difese della lega statale. Purtroppo anche Anselma subì infortuni e venne a mancare per gran parte della prima metà di campionato. Bruno Sabidussi, indubbiamente il centrocampista di maggior classe e brio, ebbe anche i suoi turni di riposo.

Il comitato ed i tecnici dovettero così correre ai ripari e cercare di rimediare la situazione con alcuni acquisti quando il mercato era quasi esaurito. Per primo arrivò Cozzella, che dopo la grande annata avuta con il JUST nel 1981, era rimasto inoperoso per molto tempo a causa di un infortunio; poi arrivò Kondarlis, anch'egli dal JUST, ma solo per dimostrare che l'allenatore McLaglin aveva fatto bene a metterlo in lista di trasferimento; lento, legnosco e quasi senza alcuna ambizione rimangiati dopo la "retrocezione" in lega statale egli non diede mai l'apporto determinante che da lui ci si aspettava.

Kojic, che era stato preso per niente dal JUST si rivelò una delusione quasi completa, mentre Popovic almeno ebbe il buon senso di prendersi una quasi totale vacanza dal calcio.

Quindi degli acquisti forzati prin-

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ciò, almeno dagli infortuni il solo Cozzella diede una certa soddisfazione mettendo a segno un discreto bottino di reti opportunistiche. L'unica sorpresa positiva si rivelò il giovane Palmaricciotti che dimostrò le doti di un futuro ottimo centrocampista, ma, ahimè, anche lui finì nella lista degli infortunati e mancò la maggior parte del torneo di ritorno. Sabbadini, un terzino di grande esperienza e capacità finì anche per fare molte assenze a cause di infortuni.

Però bisogna sempre ricordare che non tutti gli infortuni avvengono per incidenti e, nel caso del Fawkner di quest'anno, pensiamo che ci sia stata della dabbaggine anche. La squadra che aveva condotto il campionato dell'anno scorso a tambur battente dalla prima all'ul-

tima giornata del campionato e che meritava un sacrosanto periodo di riposo per recuperare fu gettata invece nella mischia furibonda della Coppa Italia che dal punto di vista dell'usura fisica è più dura del campionato stesso. Conquistata una Coppa Italia che ha solo un valore campionario del resto, il riposo non venne nemmeno, perché furono organizzati diversi tornei precampionato di cui la squadra avrebbe potuto fare benissimo a meno. Se quindi i giocatori del Fawkner hanno subito più incidenti di quelli di qualsiasi altra squadra della lega statale la colpa non è poi tutta della fortuna.

Dal lato delle prestazioni positive che hanno permesso alla squadra di arrivare più lontano di quanto alcuni, la credenza capace anche senza infortuni, bisogna far risalire quelle di Tuffield e Fattore più di ogni altro. Il primo è stato l'uomo di punta della formazione tutto l'anno, sia in attacco che in difesa, grazie alle sue grandi doti ma soprattutto per la sua immensa voglia di far bene, per l'enorme mole di lavoro che si accollava settimana dopo settimana.

C'era stato un periodo di tempo che era apparso alquanto opaco dopo essere stato spogliato di nuovo in avanti; ma quel periodo coincideva anche con il calo del centrocampista e con l'aver trovato in avanti un nuovo compagno, Cozzella, con il quale non legava. Il rientro del suo "gemello" Anselma verso la fine gli ridiede quella spalla di cui tutti i giocatori in vista hanno pur sempre bisogno.

Cesare Fattore è stato indubbiamente il giocatore che ha migliorato più di ogni altro rispetto all'anno precedente. All'inizio dell'anno gravavano su di lui delle riserve a causa della limitata esperienza, del fatto che usa poco un piede e che non era tanto mobile. Invece il ragazzo venuto da Griffith e cresciuto con ogni partita e diede una dimostrazione di assoluto dominio della sua zona difensiva nel secondo incontro contro la Juventus, quando fu indubbiamente il migliore in campo e operò miracolo su miracolo per mantenere intatta la sua rete (il collega Schipano però la buca con una sfortunata autorete). Cesare è oggi una certezza e indubbiamente continuerà a migliorare.

I due ex nazionali Palinkas e Bozakis, al contrario di Tuffield e Fattore, hanno dimostrato molto poco desiderio di far bene e molta poca inclinazione a lavorare duro costantemente. Peccato, perché di classe ed esperienza ne hanno da vendere. Cavalieri, passato al Fawkner alla Juventus con una grande voglia di rifarsi, sembra essersi perso prima ancora di ritrovarsi. I fratelli Sabioussi non hanno avuto un'annata molto felice anche a causa di infortuni e squallide ed i vari Terzini, Schipano, Sabbadini hanno fatto il loro dovere.



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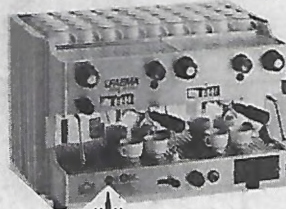


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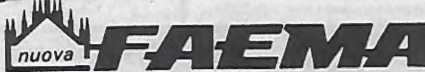
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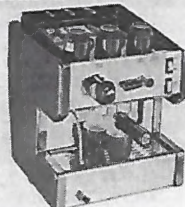
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OVERSEAS NEWS

Two recent suggestions received by FIFA HQ in Zurich are that goalkeepers should wear cricket type crash helmets and that a hooter should signal the start of matches. And where else could these suggestions come from than the USA?

Former Adelaide city guest player Justin Fasahan was sent off in the local derby between Notts Forest and Notts County when he angrily retaliated against Cloughie's Paul Barker and allegedly threatened a linesman.

Pele appears in a new comic strip adventure film called "The Young Giants". Proceeds go to rebuilding an orphan boys home in San Diego.

As Roma, the Italian champion will provide the opposition for Real Madrid when it stages a testimonial for its long-serving Spanish international defender Benito.

lan Botham, the England cricketer, is back once again in soccer with Third Division Scunthorpe United. Botham a forward, stands 6'3 ins.

Unless the majority of the side pull up their socks Aberdeen seem likely to break up the side which last season won the European Cup-Winners Cup. That's straight from manager Alex Ferguson.

Wolves, in desperate trouble near the bottom of the First Division after winning promotion last year and saved from extinction by Derek Dougan 18 months ago, may be forced to sell Scottish international striker Andy Gray who cost them over \$3 million three years ago from Aston Villa.

Gray's contract ends next summer and his reported wage demands may force Dougan to sell before rather than wait for the Tribunal to fix the fee.

Two soviet astronauts watched the Spartak Moscow v Aston Villa UEFA cup-tie as they orbited in space.

Three Scots piloted English sides to victory in the European cup-ties second round first leg games. Arthur Graham got Manchester United's winner against Spartak Varna, Colin Walsh got the winner for Notts Forest against PSV Eindhoven and Steve Archibald's double for Spurs against Johan Cruyff's Feyenoord avenged their final defeat of four years ago. All three players are Scottish internationals.

Cup draw

The draw for the third round of the English League Cup on November 7:

Rotherham v Southampton, Birmingham v Notts County, Wimbledon v Oldham, Ipswich v Queens Park Rangers, Colchester v Manchester United, Tottenham v Arsenal, Norwich v Sunderland, West Ham v Brighton, Leeds v Oxford, Stoke v Huddersfield, Fulham v Liverpool, Chelsea v West Bromwich, Walsall v Shrewsbury, Preston v Sheffield, Wednesday, Aston Villa v Manchester City, Everton v Coventry.

Poland in finals

Poland beat Portugal 2-0 (half-time 1-0) in a European Under-21 championship group two match at home.

Scorers: Ryszard Tarasiewicz (18th min), Mariusz Niewiadomski (81).

Attendance: 10,000. Group two standings:

Poland..... 5 2 1 8 3 8
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Ovo pismo zbog slučajeva sa Leichard/APIM iz Sedneja kola je osuđeno da plati veliku svotu igraču, koji nije ispunio očekivanja. Kako može biti kažnjena i osuđena "non-profit" organizacija, koja služi za rekreaciju? I tako sport moć biti profesija?

Danas bi JUST imao dom i tribine na svom igralistu da g nisu pošli sudovi i rupe u zakonu. Ima igrača, koji su dobili osetu za povredu i sutra dan nastavljaju da igraju. Ima takvih, koji primaju novac na poziv, a ne bez potpisane, unapred plaćene ugovore, pa se posle separe, ne igraju i ne izvršavaju osnovne obaveze. Zar sportista sme i može biti bez stida i srama? Ako žele bolju budućnost fudbalu u ovoj zemlji, klubovi moraju da saraduju međusobno. Samo zajedničkim snagama mogu stati za vrat ovom zlu, koje je izvitoperilo sport i ljudske vrline. Zato standard stalno opada, jer nema lepote u onome što se igra bez odusevljenja.

Proširenje Nacionalne lige neće umiriti, već rasplamsati strasti i povećati troškove svih klubova. Uključ se uvoz igrača, a na domaćem tržištu je sve manje pravih talenata. Ukoliko ih ima, oni napustaju Australiju.

METEORSKI USPON MAKEDONIJE

U Makedoniji taboru raspoloženje nije najbolje, što je sasvim razumljivo, jer su "crveno-crni" izgubili naslov prvaka, koji su praktično držali u rukama najveći deo sezone. Da su se odozdo popeli na treće mesto, to bi bio veliki dobitak i uspeh. Dogodio se obrnuti. Međutim, Makedonija je za kratko vreme kao najmlađi član Nacionalne lige, postigla ogroman uspeh. U stalnom je usponu. Prve godine bila je na dvanaestom mestu, druge na petom i ove na trećem. Sa ovim timom i uslovima koje ima za rad, Makedonija samo može da nastavi sa usponom i već iduće godine da se zakiti lovorovim vencem.

"PLAVI" NA PREKRETNICI

Uprava JUSTA izjavljuje da je zadovoljna sa trenorom, koga želi da zadrži ako ne trazi više novaca. Bobby McLachlan nije bez ambicija, ali ipak ima obavezu prema klubu i predsedniku koji su uz bez rezerve stali uz njega dok su trajali crni dani. On tek treba da ostvari svoju ambiciju, a to može jedino a JUST-u. Da li to može sa istim igračima ili su neophodne prilove. Ni jedan klub se nije toliko ponovio kao JUST u ovoj sezoni. Ipak, ne bi bio na odmet još jedan izraziti strešac kao što je Palon. Pored toga mnogo se očekuje od Tom Karica i Slobodana Stojčevskog, ali i Pavla Simica, koji mora sam da potrazi izlaz iz krize, a to će učiniti kad bude prestao da sluš "dobronamerne" savete sa strane.

Očekuju se da JUST obnovi ideju izgradnje doma, koji još uvek lebdi u oblacima pustih želja i maste. Kada će se pronaći mogućnost za početak, kada stotine drugih problema iskršavaju svakog momenta. Fudbalski klub je bura bez dna i bez društvene pomoći može samo da tavori u mnogo nižem rang nego što je Nacionalna liga.

Ostale aktivnosti JUST-a do kraja ove godine: Drugi tim, rezervni i juniorski opet 16 godina igraju na Jugo turniru u Geelongu u subotu i nedelju 3/6. novembra.

U utakrici uvece 1. novembra drugi tim JUST-a igra prijateljsku utakmicu protiv East Carltona. Utakmica se igra na JUST-ovom igralistu.

U utakrici uvece 8. novembra "Presentation Party" za igrače drugog tima i rezerve na igralistu JUST-a. Najbolji igrači i najbolji strelci dobijaju "Tony Amon Trophy".

"Skadarlijsko vece" u režiji JUST-a održava se u petak 11. novembra u Springvale Town Hallu. Program će ispuniti popularni zabavljači iz Jugoslavije Olivera Marković i orkestar Tose Elezovića.

Juniorska zabava održava se u dvorani Footscray High School, Wembley Ave. Spotswood u subotu 12. novembra. Nastupaju oba JUST-ova folklori, koji je pripremila koreograf Evica Peric. Svi juniorski dobili trofeje, a sampionski timovi spomen zastavice. Održava se u subotu 3. decembra u prijemnom dvoranu "Biljana", 67 Gamon St., Seddon.

Godišnja skupština JUST-a održava se u nedelju 11. decembra na igralistu JUST-a.

I na kraju DOCKE NOVE GODINE, opet na igralistu JUST-a u subotu 31. decembra.

Početkom decembra počeo pripreme igrača za Nocni kup, a verovatno će se odigrati i nekoliko prijateljskih utakmica.

MALI SVETSKI KUP U MELBURNU

Uprava Knox Citya odlučila je da obnovi mali Svetski kup, koji se održavao u Melburnu od 1950. do 1960. godine pod imenom "Laidlaw World Cup". U početku to je bilo vrlo popularno takmičenje, koje je okupljalo desetine hiljada gledalaca na Olympic Parku. Izveli smo iz listu pobednika: 1950 Jugoslavija, 1951 Škotska, 1952 Škotska, 1953

Poljska, 1954 Čehoslovačka, 1955 Italija, 1956 Holandija, 1957 Engleska, 1958 Malta, 1959 Škotska, 1960 Italija.

Pored toga što je prva osvojila "Svetski kup", Jugoslavija je pet puta bila finalista. Najpoznatiji igrači toga vremena su Rista Nikolic, Milan Plecko, Djordje Rakic, Josip Jakus, Petar Vidovic, Steven Zakomark, Vlada Caldarevic, Krsta Andjelkovic, Grba Dobric, Ristic, Slobodan Alimpijevic, Ljubisa Dimitrijevic, Vesa Markovic i mnogi drugi.

Očekuje se da i u obnovljenom takmičenju za "Mali Svetski Kup" Jugoslavija bude favorizir za osvajanje prvog mesta. Razume se, ako budu nastupili svi igrači koji su rođeni u Jugoslaviji. Da sastav bude što bolji potrudice se Janko Kalincev, Mirko Rujevic, Josip Sterpin i Slavko Drljic.

Proslav četvrtka uvece objavljeno je izlacenje grupa u prostorijama Knix Citya, gde su delegati 16 nacija bili lepo ugosteni.

Učesnici su podeljeni u 4 grupe, koje izgledaju ovako:

"A" grupa - Nemacka, Južna Afrika, Jugoslavija, Poljska.

"B" grupa - Engleska, Škotska, Turska, Hispanija.

"C" grupa - Irska, Madjarska, Brazil, Malta.

"D" grupa - Čile, Australija, Holandija, Italija.

Po grupama igra svako sa svakim. Utakmica traje 90 minuta (2x45 minuta). Svaki tim može imati 16 igrača na spisku, ali samo dva se mogu zameniti.

Da bi se održala sportska atmosfera na dostojnoj visini predviđene su stroge kazne. Igrač, koji dobije žuti karton, ne može nastupiti na sledećoj utakmici. Ako dobije crveni karton ne može dalje igrati na ovom turniru. Razume se, mnogo zavisi i od sudija. Nuzno je da budu elastični i pravdom.

Utakmice se igraju na dva igralista.

Raspored utakmica "A" grupe:

Subota, 12.11.83, 1 pm.

Nemacka v. Južna Afrika

Nedelja, 13.11.83, 1 pm.

Jugoslavija v. Poljska

Subota, 19.11.83

Nemacka v. Jugoslavija

Nedelja, 20.11.83, 12.30 pm.

Južna Afrika v. Poljska

Subota, 26.11.83, 1 pm

Nemacka v. Poljska

Nedelja, 27.11.83, 1 pm.

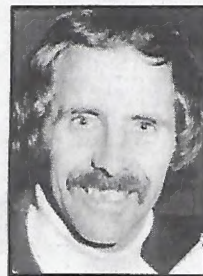
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Samo pobednici grupa idu dalje. Sastaju se u polufinalu, koje se igraju u subotu 3. decembra, dok se finalna utakmica igra u nedelju 4. decembra. Osigurani su veliki brojevi nagrada, a potporu će pružiti i TV stanica 0/28.

Ulaz je 2 dolara. Za decu i penzionere besplatno.

LETNJI TURNIR

Do sada su samo navijači Zvezde, Hajduka i Partizana branili boje svojih omiljenih klubova preko letu u Melburnu. Ove godine konkurencija će biti veća, jer su se oglasili i navijači Dinama i Hajduka. Skopljance prikuplja Janko Kalincev, a "modre" navijače Stef Stefancic (tel. 529 7370) i Veljko Sremac (tel. 459 9210).



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ΟΙΚΑΝ

Τώρα που γράφεται η στήλη ίσως να έχει βρε το νέο Δ.Λουβολό το "Ωλη και να έχει γ νει σε όωμ.

Από την σκοπία μας εύχόμεθα κάθε επιτυχία στους άνηκτους που θα αναλάβουν.

Όσο γι' αυτούς που μάχησαν στην σαιζόν που πέρασε και πρβ πέτυχαν στο έργο τους μ τον κ. Κώστα Χριστοφίλοπουλο στο πόστο του προέδρου έχουμε χρέος να τους απευθύνουμε θερμά συγχαίρημα.

Επίσης δεν πρέπει να περάσει απαρατήρητη η σωστή και εθική δουλειά που έχει προφέρει στον σύλλογο δ επί το ύψος Πανταλής Καραβίτσας.

ΒΑΛΑΣ ΚΑΙ ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΟΣ ΧΟΡΕΟΥΝ

Τόσο η "Βάλας" όσο και δ "Αλέξανδρος" χορεύουν την ίδια μέρα.

Ο έσπρος χορός τών δύο μεγάλων μας ομάδων θα γίνει για τών "Αλέξανδρος" στο SAN RE MO BALLROOM στις 12 Νοέμβρη και το ίδιο βράδυ θα χορεύει και η "Βάλας" στο CAMBERWELL CIVIC CENTRE.

Και στις δύο διοργανώσεις θα γίνει η ε κλογία της "Μίς "Αλέξανδρος" για τών Μέγα, και "Μίς Χάλας" για την "Βάλας".

1983 NATIONAL SOCCER AWARDS

Στις 14 του Νοέμβρη την δεύτερα στο GRAND BALLROOM του Βενδοχέλου SOUTHERN CROSS θα βραβευσθούν οι καλύτεροι παίκτης από τώ πρωτάθλημα της Αυστραλίας ως επίσης και δ καλύτερος προπονητής της Μελοβόρνης τις περισοτέρους ηλικίες για διάκριση έχουν ο Λέν Μακντριν, Πίτερ "Ολλερτον και Τζιμ Τάνου.

Επίσης οι διαιτητές κ.κ. Μάκμικριτ και Ζόμιας θα είναι από αυτούς που θα διενεκήσουν την πρώτη θέση.

Ο ΣΤΗΤΟΣ ΤΗΣ ΘΕΣΗΣ

Ο έσπρος χορός της αδίας Γιάραβιλ θα γίνει στις 19 του Νοέμβρη και για ελεύητ μία τηλεφωνήστε στο 682068.

ΔΕΝ ΕΧΕΙ ΚΑΙ ΔΑΔΙΚΟ

Δέν έχει δάδο δ προπονητής της "Βάλας Λέν Μακντριν που διαμαρτυρείται σχετικά με τούς παίκτης που κλήθηκαν στην "Εθνική δάδα.

Θυσιάζει ενοίαι προεθνική αλλά σ' αυτή την... προεθνική δέν μπορούν να καλέσουν ένα τουλάχιστον παίκτη από την Πρέστον η τόν "Άγκαν και τόν Κρίνο η έστω τόν Κρόστον δερ τόν "Εθνικό πρωταθλήματος Ηπάρουν από την "Βάλας Μελοβόρνης.

Και μετά μιλάει για σοβαρότητα και επιτυχίες της "Εθνικής μας... Με 17 παίκτης από τώ δόδουν και μόνο 4 από την Μελοβόρνη δέν πάει πολύ η κοροϊδία.

Η ΕΠΙΣΤΗ ΠΟΝΤΙΩΝ

Αναβλήθηκε η έτση Γενική Συνέλευση της πρωταθλήτριας τώ "Ινδυστριαλ Λήγκ και Κυπελοούχου "Βωσας Ποντίων για τών άλλο μήνα.

Πάντως άπ' ότι έμαθε η στήλη, στις προεκαταρκτικές συζητήσεις που έγιναν την περασμέ ν βουδάρ, θρέθηκε κάποιος άσος που εί πε ότι οι επιτυχίες της ομάδας δροφούνται σε κείνον και μόνο.

Μάλιστα γιατί όπου νάει θα μάς πεί ότι και η διασημότητα που γίνεται στην "Ενωσ Ποντίων από τις έσπρηδες δροφείται... στον ίδιο.

ΑΕ ΑΛΕΞΑΝΔΡΩΝ ΗΠΕΡΑ

Μάθαμε ότι ένα σωματείο που κυττάζει με μή φτιάχνει παίκτης αλλά να παίζουν από τις άλλες ομάδες και μάλιστα να ύπόχρεται να μεριμνά δολάρια, προσάφηση να έλθει σε έπαση με τόν "Ιρλανδόν παίκτη της "Ενωσ Ποντίων Τζόν "Ο' Τόλν τών όποιον έχει συστήσει δ γράμμα στην ομάδα αυτή.

"Υπενημόλιουμε λοιπόν ότι κτύπησαν οι άνθρωποι λάθος πόρτα... πολύ δάδο με λιστα γιατί σε τελευταία άνωση θα φάνε τώ υώστα τους, όπως και σε άλλες περιπτώσεις στο παρελθόν.

ΚΑΙ ΚΑΤΙ ΠΟΥ ΔΕΝ ΣΥΜΒΕΧΟΜΕ

Γράφαμε ήδη και μάλιστα έχουμε παραδεχτεί την μέχρι τώρα σωστή δουλειά που έχουν κάνει οι άνθρωποι της επιτροπής τώ "Ελληνικό τού Τουρνουά.

Εκμύια δρωσδήποτε άμφιβολία αλλά οι μόνο φόβοι μας είναι για έκείνη την περιβήρη συμμετοχή στις δάδες από ένα έξνο ποσοφαριστή, προκειμένου να δοκιμαστέ.

Δέν έθελουμε να συνεχίσουμε στο θέμα αυτό και μακάρι να βρούμε οέστες αλλά τώ παρελθόν από την ίδια περίπτωση κινδύνευσε να τυχαιεί τώ Κόπελιν τώ άερο.

Μάλιστα θυμίζουμε και μία ομάδα μας που προσκόμισε την έβρη έπιτολή - άδεια - για να παίζει δ παίκτης από τώ σωματείο που άνηκε και που ήταν γραμμένη έπάνω σε μία... χαρτοσακούλα.

ΚΛΙΕΤΩΝ ΧΙΛ

Λένε ότι "δν οι παίκτης τώ Κλιεττον ΧΙΛ στην σαιζόν που μάς πέρασε ήταν σε καλή ευσική κατάσταση από τις προπονήσεις, ίσως να είχαν πάσει και τώ πρωτάθλημα της Α" κατηγορίας τώ Προβίλιου Λήγκ.

Η ΟΜΑΔΑ ΤΩΝ ΚΑΛΙΤΕΧΝΩΝ

Στά σοβαρά τώ πέρα η ομάδα τών καλλιτεχνών και ένώ φέτος συγκροτήθηκε για να αντιμετώπισει την ομάδα τών δημοσιογράφων στα πλαίσια τώ "Ελληνικό φέστιβαλ, στην συνέχεια με πρωτογάρτη τόν Κώστα Μωυζέδην τώ... σκε έφανε καλύτερα.

Έτσι τώρα η ομάδα έχει μόνο δίνει φιλική μάτς αλλά γίνονται ένεργειες για να παρθεί κατηγορία.

Μερόλο λοιπόν σε όλα τώ παιδιά που σκέφτηκαν ότι μία συνεργασία μέσα στα γήπεδα, θα τώλ κάνει άδωη καλύτερους συνεργάτες και στην δουλειά τους.

Γιά τών ιστορία της γραμματείας της ομάδας έχει αναλάβει δ Γιάργος Βελιτάδου.

ΚΑΙ Η ΕΠΙΣΤΗ ΝΙΚΗ

Την περασμένη Κυριακή η ομάδα τών καλλιτεχνών ύψησε την ομάδα της Παθέρνας τώ Τόβραν THE GREENS 3-1 και κατέκτησε τώ κύπελλο που είχε άδολεσθηθεί.

ΑΠΟ ΤΟ ΠΟΔΟΣΦΑΙΡΟ ΣΤΟ ΡΕΚΥΤΥ

Ο Γιάργος Καρπύδης δ γιός τώ γνωστό παρόντα τώ ποδοσφαίρου κ. Φώτη Καρπύδη τώ διευθυντή της εταιρίας "Παστέλι - Κόρινθος" σταμάτησε λόγω σπουδών φέτος τώ ποδοσφαίρο αλλά στώ σχολείο τώ έπαιξε με επιτυχία στην ομάδα Ρέκτυν.

Και η μεγαλύτερη επιτυχία τώ ήταν να κληθεί στην Μικτή Βικτωρίας Ρέκτυν κάτω τών 18 έτών.

Μερόλο Γιάργος... μόνο που έθελουμε να σε αναδομή με την φανέλλα της "Βάλας στην οποία φυσικά άνηκεις.

ΤΙ ΕΡΓΑΣ... ΑΛΛΑ ΤΙ ΕΚΑΝΕ

Γραφικότατος είναι ένας κρίση παρόντα τώ Μέγα με τώ καμπαρά τών.

Όταν ήταν έξω από τώ Δ.Λουβολό προεκαταστά να κάνει ζημιά στην προέδρο κ. Γκούλδουλο και δέν συμφωνούσε με τίποτα.

Έλεγε δέ στην κήλο τόν "δτι άν έμπαίε μια μέρα μέσα στώ Λουβολό τώ Μέγα, θα έβαζε στη θέση τόν τόν... ποέροτ.

Τελικά μπήκε στώ Δ.Λουβολό αλλά έμεινε στά λόγια γιατί δέν έλαμψε ποτέ να δρώσει τών σωνή τόν τόν Κ.Κουλόπουλο.

Έτσι τώ όύνο τώ τώ έμεινε ήταν να παραιτηθεί.

Τώρα από άπ' έρω άρχισε πάλι τώ ίδιο τρώ πόρι με την διαφορά ότι είναι άρκετοί και αυτοί που γελάνε με τώ παρημύ τώ.

ΒΑΡΕΥΑΜΕ ΙΑΧΩΝ ΤΩΝ ΙΑΤΩ ΔΙΕΚΟ

Μετέλουμε καλά που ένώθηκε με μικρή μας ομάδα με άλλον σύλλογο για να πάσουν πλέον οι έσπρηνοι που την είχαν να κλαίγονται πώς είναι μόνιμα χρωματίει στην τράπεζα κι έτσι κληρώνουν συνεχώς κάποιον - έπισυνάττα - ναυαγιστικό δάνειο.

Χρόνια τώρα τώ ίδιο βιολί και δ ίδιος δέ σνος που άσφαλώς πάινουμε.

Καιρός ήταν να τών άσπουν τών δάδα σε άλλα έθνη και τούλάχιστο να ήσυχάσουν οι ίδιοι από τώ χρέη.

Αλλά για ποιά χρέη μιλάμε τή στιγμή και τών όποια οι παίκτης πρέπει να πάσουν χρώματα από τών σαιζόν τών 1983.



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